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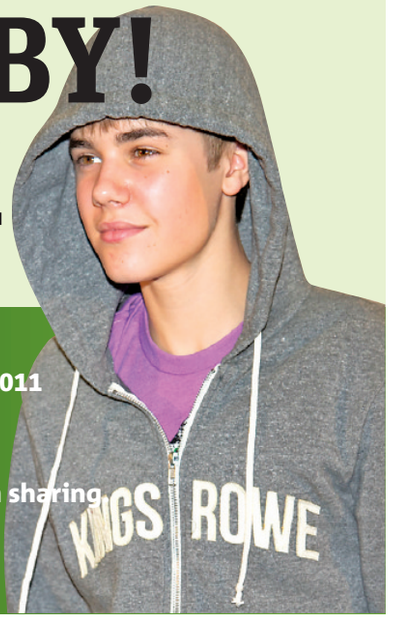

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City deals with foes

City settles dispute with some Lansdowne redevelopment opponents
Parking concerns to be discussed

The city has reached a mediated settlement with some community groups opposed to the Lansdowne Park redevelopment plan, Mayor Jim Watson announced.

The city agreed to concessions including axing plans for mid-rise residential buildings facing Holmwood Avenue and imposing height limits on other buildings.

"This is a very good deal for the local community and the city of Ottawa," said Watson.

The City will fast track Bank Street reconstruction to this year and pay $300,000 to the Glebe BIA and $30,000 to other community groups affected. Half of that money will be paid by the developer of the project Ottawa Sports and Entertainment Group.

Old Ottawa South Community Association chair Brendan McCoy said his board viewed the situation as akin to a hostage-taking, "with residents as the hostages," but they agreed to it nonetheless.

Three parties are still challenging the development at the Ontario Municipal Board. JESSICA SMITH

Deux. Rives

▶ The Deux Rives choir rehearse for a performance for a public opening event at the Ottawa Convention Centre yesterday. The choir, composed of students from Lycée Claudel in Ottawa and a school from the Commission scolaire des Draveurs de Gatineau, was to perform the National Anthem, I Gotta Feeling by the Black Eyed Peas and Josh Groban's You Raise Me Up. For more photos from the event go to metronews.ca/ottawa.

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Choir performs several big-name tunes

OC Transpo

Fewer cuts to routes

Complaints get city to re-think bus route changes {page 3}

Ottawa's jazz fest

Robert Plant of Led Zeppelin will open festival {page 4}

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OC Transpo steers new route changes

Plan to cut OC Transpo routes shifts again Commission votes on revised route changes April 20

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After thousands of bus riders complained, city officials have announced huge changes to plans to cut OC Transpo routes.

"I think the public, though they might not be fully satisfied with the change, will recognize that an earnest effort has been made to address their concerns," said Transit Commission chair Diane Deans at a press conference yesterday.

The new Route Optimization Plan still includes cuts to bus routes, but fewer riders will be affected, officials said. The new cuts achieve the same savings — $6.5 million this year and $19.5 million next year — according to city staff. Some of the savings come from running buses during the same hours they currently run, but only once an hour.

Some changes

Based on public feedback:

- Adding a new Route 83 to serve Fisher, Viewmount, and Colonnade and connect with downtown, operating seven days a week (replaces part of the current Route 3)
- Adding a new Route 132 to serve Sunview, Belcourt, Grey Nuns, and Fortune and connect with Jeanne d'Arc and Place d'Orléans Stations, operating during peak periods with limited midday, evening and weekend service (replaces parts of the current Routes 32 and 131)
- Revising the current Route 165 to serve Penfield, Leacock, Varley, and Knudson and connect with Eagleson Station, operating during peak periods with limited midday service (replaces parts of the current Routes 65 and 68)
- Revising the current Route 140 to serve Southmore, Fielding, Walkley and Springland and connect with Confederation, Heron and Billings Bridge Stations, operating during peak periods, and revising Route 87 to serve Riverside between Walkley and Ridgewood, seven days a week
- Retaining evening and weekend service on Route 5 and Route 16

SEAN MCKIBBON/METRO

▶ OC Transpo is also recommending buying 75 double-decker buses like this one to run on express routes and increase capacity. Ninety people can ride in each double-decker, with seats for 82.

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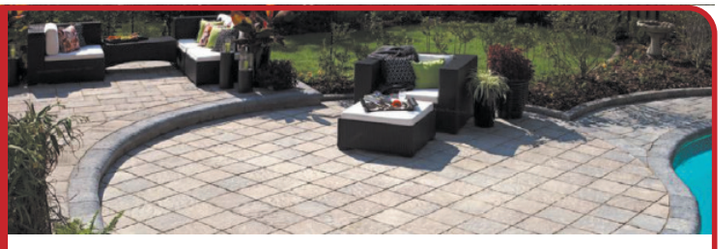

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Robert Plant slated to open Jazz Festival

Led Zeppelin's Robert Plant will showcase his Americana roots when he opens the 2011 TD Ottawa International Jazz Festival with his new group the Band of Joy, organizers announced yesterday.

Plant, as well as Elvis Costello and the Imposters, k.d. lang and the Siss Boom Bang, Pink Martini, Return to Forever IV, Youssou N'Dour, Paco De Lucia, Lucky Peterson, Béla Fleck and the Original Flecktones, and Daniel Lanois' Black Dub will headline shows at the Canal Stage in the Concerts Under the Stars series.

The Studio series will present traditional jazz acts, including the Joshua Redman/Brad Mehldau Duo, Christian McBride and Inside Straight, Kenny Wheeler, and Kurt Elling.

Elio Villafranca, the Gord Grdina Trio plus Mats Gustafsson, and the Erik Truffaz 4tet are among the groups slated to showcase their improv skills.

Rap artist Shad, as well as Soulive, Jill Barber and the PepTides will play the late-night tent.

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Passes

- Festival passes range from $158.20 to $282.50 and student passes are $73.45. Single-day tickets are $56.50 and single-day student tickets are $33.90.
- Buy tickets and get more information at ottawajazzfestival.com.

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▶ Band of Joy's Robert Plant, centre, Buddy Miller and Patty Griffin

Beating back the bullies

- Nova Scotia boy who was bullied for wearing pink shirt to school in 2007 sparked Day of Pink movement
- Campaign is important because bullying is so common: Cedarview Middle School student

JOE LOFARO
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A sea of pink pulsated inside the gymnasium of Cedarview Middle School yesterday as more than 250 students in pink T-shirts danced and discussed bullying for the International Day of Pink.

Schools and communities participated in the global event, which addresses all forms of bullying, whether it's racism, homophobia or anti-Semitism. Mayor Jim Watson and Barrie Hammond, director of education for the OCDSB, spoke at the event and watched students perform a dance to Katy Perry's song Firework. "No one should be tormented or ostracized because of who they are," said Watson.

"Every day should be anti-bullying day."

"It shows the people who are bullied that we really care about those people and we really want to stop bullying."
ZAINAB WAKIL, GRADE 6 STUDENT AT CEDARVIEW MIDDLE SCHOOL

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▶ Nearly all of Cedarview Middle School's students dance in their pink T-shirts to Firework by Katy Perry to celebrate the International Day of Pink yesterday.

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Council OK's new trash pickup plan

Biweekly garbage pickup set to begin in November 2012

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▶ Curbside pickup is getting reduced.

Ottawa city council passed a motion to begin picking up garbage every other week but it won't begin until November 2012.

A year and a half from now, Ottawa residents, except for those who live in high-rises, will put out green bins with organic and smelly waste once a week for collection.

Other garbage, classified as "residual waste" by the city, will only be collected every other week.

Blue and black box collection will continue as normal.

The city will also implement a plan for weekly garbage pickup for households that use diapers or incontinence products.

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Hometown. Champions

▶ Ottawa Mayor Jim Watson presents Carleton Ravens player Gael Kanza with a certificate of commendation yesterday at city hall.

JESSICA SMITH/METRO

City salutes Ravens

The Carleton Ravens became Canadian Interuniversity Sport champions for the seventh time in nine years after beating the Trinity Western Spartans of British Columbia 82-59 in Halifax on March 13.

Van crashes into apartment building

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▶ Scene of the accident

A 27-year-old pregnant woman was in hospital in stable condition yesterday after her van crashed into an apartment building at 214 Metcalfe St. after colliding with another vehicle.

Paramedics said the woman suffered minor abdominal pains. The woman had a 16-month-old toddler in the van's car seat who wasn't injured.

Police are investigating.

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Dangerous recliner

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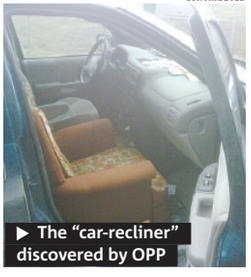

▶ The "car-recliner" discovered by OPP

OPP officers stopped a van on the Lees Avenue ramp of Highway 417 yesterday as part of a seatbelt campaign and found the front passenger seat had been replaced by a recliner. It was not bolted to the vehicle and it was occupied at the time. The driver, who was unlicensed, was charged.

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Nice guys no longer

French debate's a donnybrook as four leaders take off the gloves

Election 2011

The federal party leaders switched languages and shifted gears last night.

After Tuesday's comparatively stiff and staid English debate — which Prime Minister Stephen Harper may have won on points — the four leaders ramped up the rhetoric in a French-language donnybrook.

Harper's understanding of Canada's system of government came under sustained attack and the exchange on the legitimacy of coalitions in the parliamentary system was just the beginning of a sharp-elbowed evening.

The effectiveness of corporate tax cuts, the federal long-gun registry, the Conservative agenda on criminal justice, harmonized sales taxes — and the import of "Republican values" from the U.S. — made for a rather less comfortable evening for the front-running prime minister.

Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff, looking more animated and engaged than he did in his maiden debate Tuesday, got into several pitched battles with his rivals, notably NDP Leader Jack Layton and Bloc Québécois Leader Gilles Duceppe.

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Jack's 'goal'

- Jack Layton tried to portray Gilles Duceppe as the coach of a hockey team with no offensive players.
- "You and your team, you're like a hockey team made up of defencemen only," Layton quipped. "The NDP can score goals."

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▶ Starting out as friends: Jack Layton, Gilles Duceppe, Stephen Harper and Michael Ignatieff shake hands at the start of last night's French-language televised election debate.

Nearly 4M watched first debate

Nearly four million television viewers tuned in to Tuesday night's English-language leaders' debate.

CTV says the total audience for the broadcast consortium that aired the debate across the country was 3.85 million.

That's up 22 per cent compared to viewership numbers for the English leaders' debate in 2008, CTV says.

However, the TV ratings system has since changed, making any new numbers hard to compare.

Individually, CTV says it had 1.37 million viewers as it aired the debate from 7 to 9 p.m., while CBC had 1.14 million viewers and Global had 597,000. CTV says its average ratings for that same time block in recent weeks have been 1.2 million total viewers.

The broadcasting consortium is made up of Canada's largest TV networks: CBC/Radio-Canada, CTV, Global and TVA.

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Tweets so sweet for Twitter fans

An analysis of Twitter traffic during the English election debate shows a clear winner emerged — the debate itself.

It caused a massive spike in people tweeting about the election.

An analysis found there were more than 35,000 tweets Tuesday about the debate, making it by far the most tweets about a single issue on any day of this campaign.

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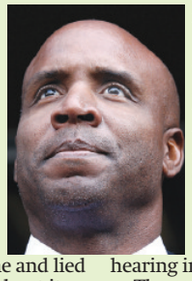
BARRY BONDS

Baseball star found guilty of obstruction

A U.S. federal jury convicted Barry Bonds of a single charge of obstruction of justice yesterday, but failed to reach a verdict on the three counts at the heart of allegations that he knowingly used steroids and human growth hormone and lied to a grand jury about it.



Following a 12-day trial and almost four full days of deliberation, the jury of eight women and four men could reach a unanimous verdict only on one of the four counts against Bonds. U.S. District Judge Susan Illston declared a mistrial on the others, a messy end to a case that put the slugger — and baseball itself — under a cloud of suspicion for more than three years.

Bonds sat stone-faced through the verdict, displaying no emotion.

His legal team immediately asked that the guilty verdict be thrown out. Illston did not rule on the request and set May 20 for a hearing in the case.

The case also represented the culmination of the federal investigation into the Bay Area Laboratory Co-Operative steroids ring.

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Lost in translation: Birth control is holy?

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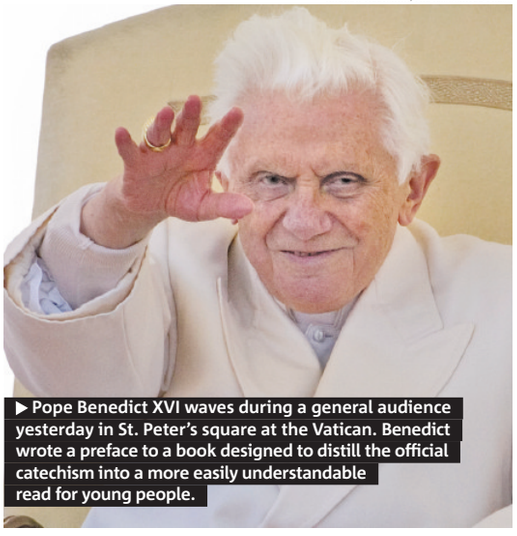

▶ Pope Benedict XVI waves during a general audience yesterday in St. Peter's square at the Vatican. Benedict wrote a preface to a book designed to distill the official catechism into a more easily understandable read for young people.

Youth book implies the Holy See approves euthanasia and contraception

The Vatican has again been embarrassed by a botched translation of its teachings, with the launch yesterday of an error-plagued book that implies the Holy See approves of contraception and euthanasia.

The errors came to light during a Vatican news conference launching Youcat: Youth Catechism of the Catholic Church, a compilation of the thick volume of core church teachings.

The book is to be given to young people attending this year's World Youth Day in Madrid.

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Botched translation

Monsignor Rino Fisichella, an Italian Vatican head, seemed aghast at the euthanasia terminology.

- Each translation had a high-ranking churchman vouch for its accuracy.
- "Youcat" was prepared in 17 languages — 30 more translations are planned.
- Pope Benedict XVI wrote a preface to the book and on the back cover he is quoted as exhorting: "Study this catechism! This is my heartfelt desire."

Sleepy air traffic controller caught snoozing

An air traffic controller was suspended yesterday in Reno, Nev., after being asleep while a medical flight was landing — the fifth lapse so far this year among controllers at U.S. airports. Four involved sleeping controllers.

In response to the lapses, the Federal Aviation Administration announced it was immediately putting a second controller on the midnight shift at 26 airports and a radar facility around the country that currently have only one overnight person.

The controller at Reno-Tahoe International Airport was out of communication for about 16 minutes when the aircraft, carrying at least three people, was landing about 2 a.m. local time yesterday, the FAA said. No injuries were reported.

The FAA last month put two controllers on duty during the midnight shift at the Reno-Tahoe airport but went back to one controller several days later after implementing new procedures, FAA spokesman Ian Gregor said.

Elsewhere, two jetliners landed at Washington's Reagan National Airport last month without tower assistance after the lone air traffic supervisor fell asleep.

Kentucky crash

Five years ago a fatal crash in Kentucky involved a sleeping controller who was working alone.

- Investigators said the controller in Kentucky was likely suffering from fatigue.
- However, they placed responsibility for the crash, which took 49 lives, on the pilots.
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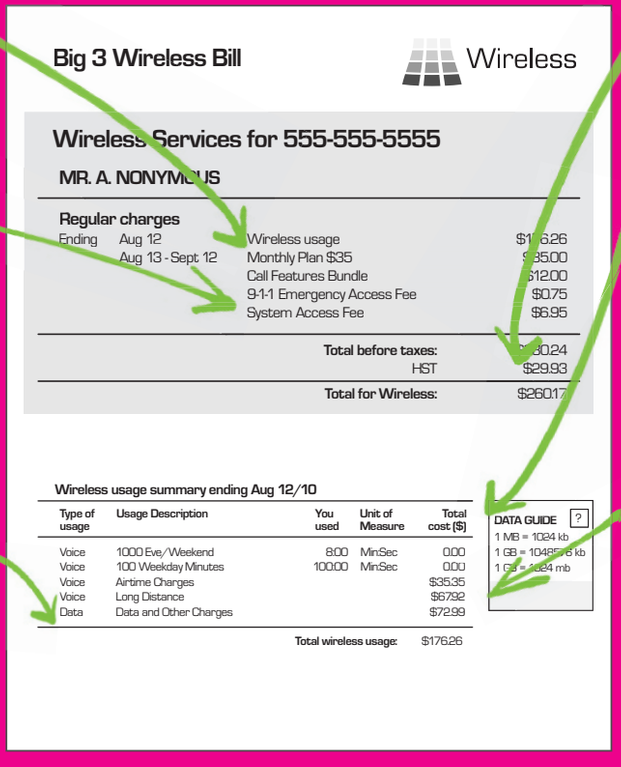

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Berlusconi turns tricks with bills

Recent legislation helps Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi pull a rabbit from a hat Bills pass despite activist's protests and filibustering by opposition

Italy's lower chamber of parliament approved legislation yesterday that would cut the length of trials in Italy and effectively end an ongoing bribery case against Premier Silvio Berlusconi.

The lower Chamber of Deputies approved the bill 314-296, amid protests inside and outside the chamber. The measure now passes to the Senate, where Berlusconi's forces have a solid majority.

The bill is the latest piece of legislation Berlusconi's forces have pushed through parliament that critics say are tailor-made to suit his interests, following on the heels of a partial immunity bill for top Italian officials passed last year.

The bill approved would cut the length of trials for some defendants who haven't been previously convicted.

The measure will effectively end a trial where Berlusconi is accused of bribing British lawyer David Mills to lie in court in the 1990s to protect the premier's interests. Mills was convicted in 2009 of having taken a $600,000 bribe, but the guilty verdict was overturned when Italy's highest criminal court ruled the statute of limitations had expired.

The reform legislation makes it virtually impossible for the court to reach a verdict against Berlusconi before the statute of limitations kicks in.

Berlusconi denies wrongdoing in the Mills case and has defended the reform legislation as necessary to unclog Italy's notoriously slow judicial system.

Aside from Berlusconi's own trial, critics say the justice measure puts at risks several important cases, including a case that follows a deadly train explosion in 2009.

The Mills case is one of four active cases against Berlusconi, including a sensational sex trial that began this month in which he is accused of paying for sex with a minor and using his influence to try to cover it up. Berlusconi has denounced the allegations as laughable and lashed out at prosecutors.

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▶ Italian Prime Minister Silvio Berlusconi addresses supporters outside Milan's justice court recently after a legal hearing over allegations of fiscal fraud and breach of trust in his business interests.

Ties to Libya

Premier Silvio Berlusconi announced in December he would probably step aside at the end of the legislature in 2013. On Tuesday he said Angelino Alfano could succeed him, strengthening the likelihood that his nearly two decades in power were coming to an end.

During a wide-ranging conversation with foreign journalists, Berlusconi also discussed his close ties with Libyan strongman Moammar Gadhafi. The Italian leader said, because of these ties, he even considered resigning when the international coalition was formed to impose a no-fly zone over Libya.

"I accepted despite the personal difficulties that this decision entailed for me. At one point I even thought it was my duty to resign," Berlusconi said, adding everybody asked him not to so he stayed.

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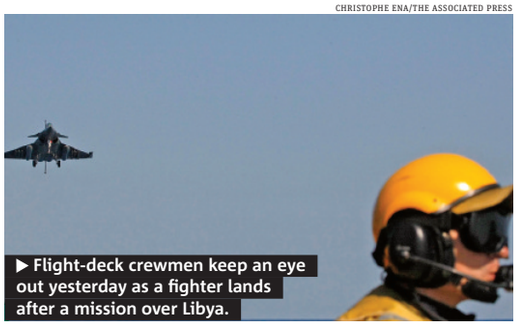

▶ Flight-deck crewmen keep an eye out yesterday as a fighter lands after a mission over Libya.

Concealing weapons

French bombers in Libya have trouble detecting Gadhafi's fighter units

As French navy Rafale and Super Etendard fighter-bombers carrying laser-guided bombs catapulted yesterday off the Charles de Gaulle aircraft carrier into a cloudless Mediterranean sky, officers onboard described the difficulties they face. Despite all the modern technology, troops loyal to Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi are harder than ever to identify.

Gadhafi's forces are camouflaging their units to conceal them from detection and attack, officers said.

"There is obviously a degree of savoir-faire ... that we haven't seen before," said the commander of the carrier's air wing.

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Al-Jazeera asks for captured reporters

The Arabic news channel Al-Jazeera is calling on Libyan authorities to release its two reporters.

In a statement yesterday, the network urged Libya to release reporters Ammar al-Hamdan of Norway and Kamel al-Tallou of Britain, who were captured in western Libya in March along with two others, who have been released. The Qatar-based network is "extremely grateful for the support" it has received for the release of its two reporters. However, more efforts are needed to secure the rest of their colleagues' freedom, the statement said.

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100 Reporters Without Borders says about 100 foreign reporters are in Libya to cover the conflict between longtime leader Gadhafi and rebel forces.

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▶ Nicolas Sarkozy and David Cameron

British PM shows strong commitment to rebels

British Prime Minister David Cameron says Britain and France will "leave no stone unturned" as they search for ways to help Libya's rebels topple Moammar Gadhafi.

Cameron made the comments in Paris yesterday where he is to discuss the military operation in Libya with French President Nicolas Sarkozy. Both countries' defence chiefs are also attending.

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News in brief

U.S. jets still striking Libya

The Pentagon is revealing for the first time that U.S. fighter jets have continued to strike Libyan air defences after turning the mission over to NATO.

Pentagon spokesman Col. Dave Lapan said the jets were assigned to NATO and are operating under its command.

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Diplomats behaving badly

Germany says it has expelled five Libyan diplomats for allegedly pressuring Libyan dissidents in the country.

The move comes a day before a meeting of foreign ministers of the NATO alliance, which is leading a campaign against Libyan leader Moammar Gadhafi.

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Out of crisis mode, back to school for survivors

- One teacher, 34 students survived from Okawa Elementary School
- Officials say routine is good

The tsunami killed 74 of the 108 students at Okawa Elementary School and all but one of the dozen teachers. The main building is ripped open, with trees jammed into second-floor classrooms, and the gym and playground have been reduced to muddied concrete foundations.

Classes start in a week.

All along Japan's battered northeastern coast, schools have been heavily damaged or converted to shelters, and families are without jobs, permanent homes or cars. But the country is determined to move ahead with one of its rites of spring: The start of the school year in April, even as some parents and children grieve.

At Okawa Elementary, another issue is trust.

Parents are frustrated at the lack of an explanation for its tragedy, when other schools nearby were also heavily damaged but had no deaths.

Officials say establishing routines is a crucial step in rebuilding communities and drawing residents out of crisis mode.

"I'm just not ready to think about school yet. They haven't even found my daughter."

NAOMI HIRATSUKA, WHO LOST HER CHILD KOHARU, A SIXTH GRADER AT OKAWA ELEMENTARY, AND HAS A YOUNGER CHILD ENTERING FIRST GRADE.

The 34 surviving students of Okawa Elementary will begin classes April 21 in four rooms at a nearby school, staying together and treated as a separate school of their own.

"We don't know yet if the school can be rebuilt, but we want to maintain continuity for the students," said Kato Shigemi, an education committee official in Ishinomaki, a devastated riverside community about 350 kilometres northeast of Tokyo.

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▶ Children watch while their father is screened for radiation at a shelter in Fukushima, Japan.

Ivory Coast president attempts to restore order

Ivory Coast President Alassane Ouattara tried to establish order in the days after the country's strongman Laurent Gbagbo was arrested, moving him to a secure location and assuring the public that looting and gunfire will cease, and life will soon return to normal.

"Gbagbo is in a residence under surveillance somewhere in Ivory Coast," Ouattara told reporters at the Golf Hotel.

"There will be charges (against Gbagbo) on a national level and an international level."

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Obama sets stage for U.S. deficit debate

U.S. President Barack Obama called for reducing the federal deficit by $4 trillion in the next decade through a package that includes tax reform, further cuts in domestic and defence spending, and shoring up of federal entitlements, setting the stage for a spirited debate with Republicans.

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▶ Barack Obama

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Quebec probes into

New allegations that official had emails cracked by city controller Follows previous spying allegations

A new permanent anti-corruption unit in Quebec has been given its first mission: digging into the mounting allegations of espionage at Montreal's city hall.

Public Security Minister Robert Dutil made the announcement yesterday amid allegations a key elected official had his emails cracked by the city's controller.

Mayor Gerald Tremblay and the city administration have been dogged by spying allegations in recent months, beginning with a clandestine investigation into the city's auditor general that came to light earlier in the year.

A day after the province's municipal affairs minister said he was growing tired of the situation, the public security minister dispatched the new unit to look into the matter.

The anti-corruption unit was introduced in February. It is headed by longtime civil servant Robert Lafreniere and its results will be made public.

The unit is based on the New York City's Department of Investigation, which is described as nonpartisan and independent and is tasked with rooting out corruption in public institutions.

The investigation is focused on allegations that Pierre Reid, the city's controller until he was reassigned on Monday, opened the emails of Council Chairman Claude Dauphin.

Tremblay said Reid always acted in good faith but that he may have gone too far in opening emails.

Reid is a veteran bureaucrat who has been at the centre of espionage scandals in recent months. The 30-year veteran city employee spearheaded a secret investigation into Montreal auditor general Jacques Bergeron, which came to light in February.

"Maybe members of my administrative team might have gone too far, but the rules are very clear: you cannot investigate elected representatives or their officials," Tremblay said.

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▶ Montreal Mayor Gerald Tremblay addresses allegations yesterday that City Council Chairman Claude Dauphin was spied on by the city's controller.

Spygate

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More probes are needed: Tremblay

Public Security Minister Robert Dutil said the best way to get to the bottom of the affair is for the province's anti-corruption unit to investigate.

Tremblay said Quebec should be looking further than Montreal and be investigating allegations of collusion and corruption in the province's construction industry. The Quebec government has been under pressure to call a public inquiry into the much-maligned construction industry, but has resisted. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Three children, mother drown

- One child escapes minivan that was driven into river
- Rescuers find van an hour later in 10 feet of water

A 10-year-old boy escaped through the window of a minivan and swam to shore to get help after his mother drove the van into New York's Hudson River, killing herself and three other children, police said yesterday.

Lashanda Armstrong, 25, drove the minivan into the river off a boat ramp in the city of Newburgh about 8 p.m. Tuesday, shortly after a domestic incident, police said. The van went into the river just six blocks from where the family lived in the faded city about 100 kilometres north of New York City.

Fire Chief Michael Vatter said a passerby saw Lashaun Armstrong emerge from the river, picked up the soaking wet boy and took him to a nearby fire department. Vatter said the boy was so distraught that he had difficulty talking but ultimately told firefighters what happened. Rescuers went immediately to the river but it was too late to save the four victims.

"She was a very good mom. She took care of her kids."

TINA CLAYBOURNE, WHO LIVES NEARBY

In the van with Lashanda Armstrong were Landon Pierre, 5, Lance Pierre, 2, and 11-month-old Lainaina Pierre, police said. Her husband and the father of the three dead children, Jean Pierre, was questioned. Police would not give details of the interview or say if the father had been charged with anything.

Shortly before she drove the van into the river, a relative called police to report a domestic incident at Armstrong's apartment.

Lashanda Armstrong's aunt, Angela Gilliam, who called police, told reporters she spoke to her niece earlier Tuesday and she was "not too good."

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Newburgh resident Cynthia Beadle leaves a stuffed teddy bear in the water where a woman drove her car with some other children into the Hudson River Tuesday night in Newburgh, N.Y.

Not an isolated incident

A similar incident occurred in 2006, about 30 kilometres south of Newburgh.

In 2007, Victor Han, of Queens, N.Y., was sentenced to three years of probation after pleading guilty to child endangerment.

Han admitted he knew he was putting his daughters at risk when he stepped out of the family minivan on Bear Mountain in June 2006, leaving them with their mother, 35-year-old Hejin Han.

She then drove the Honda Odyssey off a 300-foot drop, killing herself. The mother was killed but the children somehow survived the plunge.

It's also reminiscent of the case of a South Carolina woman who drowned her young sons in 1994.

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▶ Egyptian anti-riot policemen stand guard yesterday in front of Sharm El Sheikh hospital where former president Hosni Mubarak, 82, was hospitalized with heart problems.

Mubarak detained in hospital

Egypt's former president is being investigated for corruption, abuse of power and killing of protesters He is under a 15-day detention

Egypt's ousted president Hosni Mubarak was put under detention in his hospital room yesterday for investigation on accusations of corruption, abuse of power and killing of protesters.

The detention is a new landmark in the stunning fall of the 82-year-old Mubarak, who only months ago appeared unquestioned in his control of Egypt after nearly 30 years of rule.

"Trying Mubarak and his regime is very important, but what is super important is the political future of Egypt."
AHMED MAHER, CO-FOUNDER OF PROTEST MOVEMENT "THE APRIL 6 GROUP"

Mubarak's two sons, Gamal and Alaa, were also detained for questioning and taken to Cairo's Torah prison, where a string of former top regime figures — including the former prime minister, ruling party chief and Mubarak's chief of staff — are already languishing, facing investigations on corruption.

The move was brought by enormous public pressure on the ruling military, which was handed power when Mubarak stepped down Feb. 11.

Tens of thousands protested in Cairo's central Tahrir Square Friday, the biggest rally in weeks, demanding Mubarak and his family be put on trial. Many in the crowd accused the military of protecting the former president.

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Soap on the ropes: Cartel fined

Procter & Gamble and Unilever were fined a total of $456 million US yesterday for fixing prices of powdered laundry detergent in eight EU countries. Germany's Henkel AG, another member of the cartel, escaped a fine because it blew the whistle on the others.

U.S.-based Procter & Gamble Co., British-Dutch company Unilever NV and Henkel AG are the leading producers of detergent in Europe. The cartel was started when the companies were in joint talks on how to cut down on packaging, the EU's Competition Commissioner said. They agreed not to reduce prices even though the packages were smaller. The cartel lasted from January 2002 until March 2005.

The detergent case is the third cartel case the commission decided to settle this year. A settlement leads to lower fines but cuts down on investigation costs.

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Market moment

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Gold contracts $1,455.60 US (+ $2 US)

Economy shifting to low gear: Carney

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▶ Persons of interest: Senior Deputy Governor Tiff Macklem, left, and Bank of Canada Governor Mark Carney make their way to a news conference in Ottawa yesterday.

Expect loonie to stay high for next few years, central bank says

The Canadian economy is entering a period of slow growth under the heavy burden of a strong dollar, Bank of Canada Governor Mark Carney warns.

The dollar's impact on trade, particularly exports, is a key reason Carney expects the economy to slow sharply in the next two years after a 4.2 per cent growth spurt in the first quarter of this year. Other factors are a tapped-out consumer and government spending restraint.

The bank says the second quarter will see growth slow to two per cent, in part because of auto-sector disruptions caused by the Japanese earthquake and tsunami.

On an annual basis, the economy is forecast to slow from 2.9 per cent this year to 2.6 per cent next year.

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Rating game

- **Economists had been** pointing to May or July as the most likely dates for an interest-rate hike from the current one per cent.
- **But the latest outlook** suggests the rate could remain low for much longer, especially since raising it too soon could have the undesired effect of lifting the loonie even higher.

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Lawsuit asks for half of Facebook

Claimant says Zuckerberg lied to him about popularity of site, tried to get him to sell interest

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▶ Mark Zuckerberg

A New York man who claims he struck a deal with Mark Zuckerberg in 2003 that entitles him to half of Facebook Inc. has included in a new court filing emails he said he exchanged with the Facebook founder.

In his federal court complaint, Paul Ceglia said the emails show, in part, how Zuckerberg tried to get him to abandon his interest in Facebook by souring their business relationship in 2004, while at the same time downplaying the popularity of the site following its launch at Harvard University, where Zuckerberg was a student.

Zuckerberg is accused in the complaint of breaching his contract with Ceglia by incorporating the website first known as thefacebook.com without telling him.

Ceglia seeks a 50 per cent share of the company, which has more than 500 million users worldwide. Forbes magazine last month estimated Zuckerberg's net worth at $13.5 billion.

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He says ...

JOHN MAZEROLLE

CUE THE BEARDS, IT'S PLAYOFF TIME

Stock up on chicken wings, cut your phone lines and dump your girlfriend; it's time for the NHL playoffs or, as us Boston Bruins fans call it, the most exciting eight days of the year.

I love the playoffs and, like most relationships, the first two weeks are the best. Canada has hope and the post-season is welcomed as the first burst of spring. By the time the finals get underway, it's too hot for hockey, the Canuck clubs have melted away, and, often, a contender from the Deep South has you wondering how long it will be before the Quito Nordiques defeat the Bogota Maple Leafs in the Copa del Stanley.

But, oh, the next few weeks. The playoffs provide the comfort of a tradition with the excitement of unpredictable pandemonium. It's like going home for Christmas and finding a new family every year. And who wouldn't want that?

Because I am one of Canada's top-three most read columnists on this page, the country has been awaiting my Stanley Cup predictions. And here they are:

• One overtime game will go deep into the night — with dozens of saves, goalposts and close calls — ending only when you decide to take a "quick jaunt" to the bathroom.

• Something spectacular will happen whenever TV decides to have a pointless during-play interview with a parent (on Canadian TV) or second-rate celebrity (on U.S. TV). We didn't need to see that Ovechkin goal, NBC. An unshaven Vince Vaughn in a ball cap is awesome, too.

• Even if the final series is between Nashville and Tampa Bay and involves not a single Toronto connection, media will be abuzz with what it means for the Leafs. ("Lost in all the hubbub over the Stanley Cup championships, is that Mikhail Grabovski and the winning coach wear a similar brand of sock.")

• Don Cherry will applaud the military, laud Canada, and warn players not to showboat, dive, hit from behind, back down from a fight, or get your stick in the way of a shot. Rumour has it he may also wear something delightfully offbeat.

And those are my predictions. You don't even need to watch anymore.

And though I have mocked Don Cherry, you should still remember the words of a certain strangely dressed and plain-speaking Canadian icon when I say: Keep your stick on the ice.

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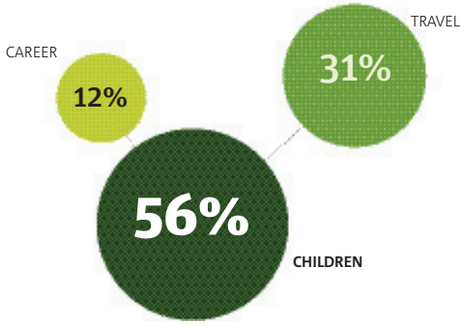

Local tweets

▶ **@florisa25:** #Ottawa Centre All Candidates Debate 507 Bank Street April 20 7:30pm-9pm #elxn41 #cdnpoli

▶ **@florisa25:** Orleans All Candidates Debate April 21 7pm Harold Shenkman Theatre #elxn41 #cdnpoli #Ottawa #Orleans very very tight race there.

▶ **@OttawaJazz:** Believe the hype: @RobertPlant & the Band of Joy to open 2011 #ottawa jazz festival June 23! Get your tickets now! http://ow.ly/4yEGo

▶ **@KJOttawa:** Ottawa has the 6th pick in the draft. :(No Landeskog.

▶ **@ColonelBacon:** Overheard at the #db8 "The attitude of "Ottawa knows best" (about #bacon) is a huge error." #BaconPartyofCanada #cdnpoli #elxn41 @mybaconparty

▶ **@Obdulia_89:** My little brother needs to die for wearing an Ottawa Senators shirt around a Penguins household.

▶ **@fishmarketYOW:** Big congratulations on opening night of the brand new Ottawa Congress Centre! A beautiful building in the heart of a beautiful city!

Worth mentioning

TORONTO. Alcohol helps the subconscious learn, a new study reveals. But what the back of your brain is learning is that alcohol addiction can make you feel good.

Neurobiologist Hitoshi Morikawa's findings contradict the idea that drinking wrecks your memory. It does, he said, for things like "your colleague's name or where you parked your car this morning."

But his work, published in The Journal of Neuroscience, also found "alcohol may actually increase our capacity to learn" at the subconscious level, helping to explain why alcoholics keep drinking when everything seems to tell them it's bad for them.

Scientists have long known that alcohol releases dopamine, the pleasure transmitter, in the brain. What is important in his new research, says Morikawa, is the finding that alcoholics aren't addicted to the pleasure or release drinking gives them. They're addicted to the subconscious memories of music, intense experience and sociability that alcohol has etched on a part of their brain.

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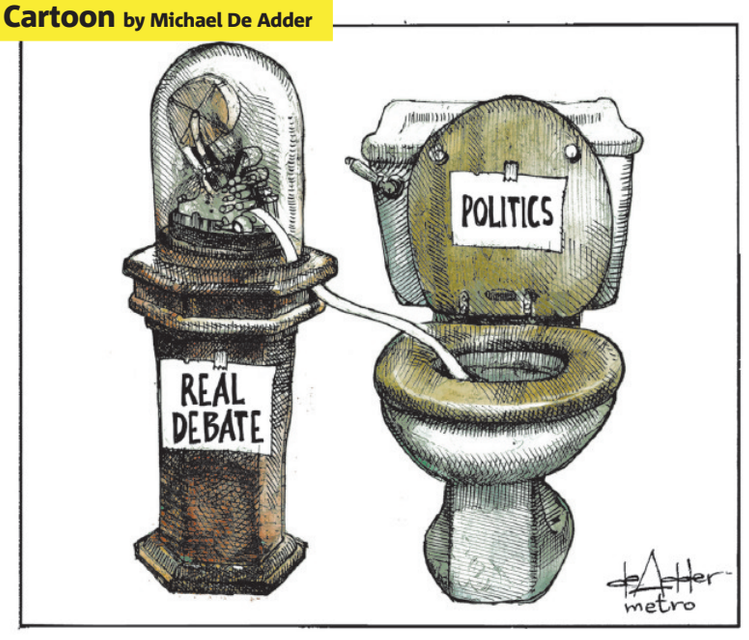

WEIRD NEWS

Something to sign his cheques with

Some say the pen is mightier than the sword. If true, Czech President Vaclav Klaus will soon be a very mighty man. More than 5,000 Czechs have signed up to a Facebook campaign to mail pens to the president after a video of him sheepishly pocketing a pen he took an obvious liking to during an official signing ceremony last week in Chile became widely popular on the Internet.

Klaus said it's customary for leaders to keep pens after signing accords. But the manner in which he sized up the pen — encrusted with semiprecious Chilean stones — and then sneakily slipped it into his pocket while he sat at a desk alongside Chilean President Sebastian Pinera has seen him ridiculed by some of his countrymen.

"It seemed to me absolutely inappropriate to do anything like that during an official ceremony," said Vojtech Palous, a 23-year-old student.

Campaign participants are being asked to send to the presidential office pens, pencils or other writing means on May 2 because "Mr. President obviously has nothing to write with." **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Perfection drives Amos the Transparent

Amos the Transparent will be previewing their new album tomorrow night at Mavericks This is Amos' first show in Ottawa this year

HANDOUT

▶ Catch Ottawa's own Amos the Transparent at Mavericks tomorrow night.

BACKSTAGE PASS

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Amos the Transparent have been taking things slow as of late. But that's not to say they haven't actually been working — frontman Jonathan Chandler is just an absolute musical perfectionist.

The process of recording their new album is still underway. Recently, the band set themselves up in house for two months and recorded as much as they could.

"And then, I kind of pulled a jerk move and decided to scrap it all," admits Chandler. "We're keeping some of it. I decided to scrap probably about 80 per cent of it. It just wasn't good enough. I just didn't feel it. There wasn't a vibe to it."

He says they'll probably finish the record in the next month.

The show tomorrow night at Mavericks (221 Rideau St.) is a chance for the band to road test their new stuff.

"We've always recorded and made records and then played them live," Chandler says. "And then the become kind of the band's identity. So, before everything is finalized, we wanted to get out and play a few shows first with the new material."

Of course, you can also expect to hear some older Amos tunes that have become real crowd favourites, namely those off the 2009 EP My What Big Teeth You Have.

"It's been two years since we released the last EP," he says. "In all honesty, we can't believe we survived two years on a five song EP but it's done us pretty well."

This will be Amos the Transparent's first show in Ottawa this year. Opening up the stage is Oceans and Alex Newman. Tickets are available at Vertigo Records, The Record Shaap or at the door. The doors at Mavericks open at 9 p.m. tomorrow night.

Gerry Dee brings the laughs

You've seen him on Last Comic Standing, The Comedy Network, The Score and even Trailer Park Boys: The Movie. Now, see him right here in Ottawa.

Award-winning comedian Gerry Dee brings his own brand of comedy to Centrepointe Theatre this weekend. Gerry is a husband, father and former teacher and turns it all into hilarious observations about everyday life. Coming along for the ride is Stephen Patterson — another great comic who has appeared on This Hour Has 22 Minutes and The Jon Dore Television Show.

What: Gerry Dee
When: Saturday at 7:30 p.m.
Where: Centrepointe Theatre (101 Centrepointe Dr.)
Price: $44.75

JEN TRAPLIN

Gala raises money for a good cause

The Ottawa Gala is one of the hottest events of the year. This black-tie optional event is a great chance to network with some of the city's biggest movers and shakers. The majority of the funds are dedicated to the Ottawa School Breakfast Program.

What: 2011 Ottawa Gala
When: Saturday at 8 p.m.
Where: Government Conference Centre
Price: $55

JEN TRAPLIN

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Scene in brief

People magazine named Jennifer Lopez the World's Most Beautiful Woman. The singer, actress and American Idol judge tops the annual list of the World's Most Beautiful. Lopez is joined on this honour roll by such lovelies as Halle Berry and Beyoncé Knowles.

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Simon follows an intimate disc with a scaled-down concert tour

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Tourists flock to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil's second largest city, to see the giant statue of Christ the Redeemer, dance the samba and cheer their favourite team at Maracanã Stadium, one of the world's largest football arenas.

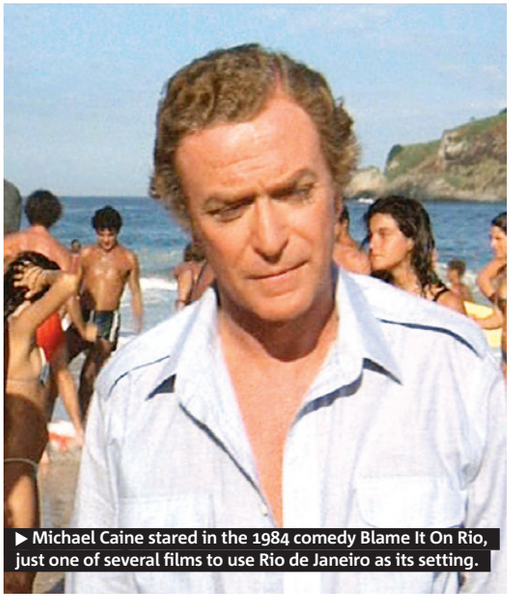
The city has also provided the backdrop for many movies, including this weekend's animated feature Rio, the story of a domesticated macaw (voiced by The Social Network's Jesse Eisenberg) from small-town Minnesota who follows the bird of his dreams to the carnival city.

Rio has been a go-to location for filmmakers for years. To paraphrase '70s soft rockers Pablo Cruise, "Whoa oh ohh … When my baby's budget permits, We go to Rio. De Janeiro." In The Producers, the crooked wannabe embezzlers plan to fly to Rio once they have bilked Broadway out of a million bucks. The city served as the background to Mickey Rourke's erotic adventures in Wild Orchid and James Bond was famously attacked by the metal mandibled Jaws on a cable car at the top of Sugarloaf Mountain in Moonraker.

Although shot completely on location at Paramount Studios on Melrose Avenue in Los Angeles, Road to Rio, the fifth of the Bob Hope-Bing Crosby "road" pictures, makes good use of stock footage and set decoration to create a suitably exotic setting.

This time out the guys are vaudevillian stow aways on a Brazilian-bound ocean liner who rescue heiress Dorothy Lamour from an unwanted arranged marriage.

The movie is notable for the music (it contains the last on-screen singing performance by The Andrews Sisters) and Der Bingle's English lessons to the Portuguese street performers. To help them pass as American he teaches them the hipster phrase, "You're in the groove, Jackson."


▶ Michael Caine stared in the 1984 comedy Blame It On Rio, just one of several films to use Rio de Janeiro as its setting.

A grittier look at the Brazilian city is offered in City of God (original title: Cidade de Deus), named after one of the city's most dangerous neighbourhoods. Following the stories of two boys — one who becomes a photographer, another who adopts a life of crime — it was shot on location in the violent favela or slum. Director Fernando Meirelles later said if he knew the dangers of filming the movie in the Rio favela in advance he wouldn't have made the movie.

Finally a sunnier look at Rio life comes in Blame It On Rio, a 1984 Michael Caine film Roger Ebert described as having "the mind of a 1940s bongo comedy and the heart of a porno film."

▶ A scene from the movie Dogtooth, which opens Friday.

Strange taken to new heights

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A bleak psychodrama about a family whose domestic life is so sheltered from the outside world that they might as well be aliens, Yorgos Lanthimos' Dogtooth is simultaneously one of the year's funniest and most terrifying movies.

"I like contradictions," grins the Greek-born filmmaker, who brought the film to TIFF in 2009. "It's good when things clash and crash together."

The source of the horror and the comedy is one and the same: The adolescent protagonists have been conditioned to be oblivious to their own weirdness. For instance, they're unaware that their grasp of language is completely tenuous — they've been told, for instance, that a "zombie" is a "little yellow flower."

"Everyone has sat around and had these thoughts about words," says Lanthimos. "You know, like why does this word mean one thing, and this one mean another. So I tried to make my film about that, in a very strange way."

Very strange indeed. As the film progresses, the family's rituals grow ever more bizarre and perverse. The film's sexual explicitness is all the more shocking for the fact that the characters are painfully innocent about what they've been compelled to do.

"The actors really trusted me, which was important," says Lanthimos. "What we did was very physical. We didn't go into the minds of the characters: we tried to realize everything through movement."

Bickering Braxtons

Whether the cameras are on or off, Toni and her sisters are real

If you think all the infighting the Braxtons do on their new series is for the benefit of the cameras, think again — it's definitely the real part of this reality show.

The sisters proved as much after the cameras stopped rolling on the first season and they promoted the new WEtv show, Braxton Family Values, with a visit to The Associated Press.

As the five sisters — Toni, Traci, Towanda, Trina and Tamar — sat tightly together in a TV studio, getting touch-ups on their hair and make-up, there was obvious tension.

Once the interview began, one-word or short answers were given.

Shortly afterward, their publicist knocked on the door.

"I just want to talk to them. Can we stop for a minute?" she asked.

As the women went into another room, arguing was heard. But when they returned minutes later, they were all cheery — ready to promote their new show.

When Toni re-answered why she decided to do the show, she said it was part of her "becoming 2011." She then checked in on her sisters for approval.

"How am I doing ladies?" she asked. In unison they replied: "You're doing good."

The mother of two boys — her youngest is autistic — opened her doors to the world in 2003 for the VH1 reality special, VH1 (Inside) Out: Toni Braxton — Family Comes First. Still, she says she was hesitant to let cameras back in her life on a larger scale.

"I reneged a few times after I said, 'Yes, we can do the show,'" she said. "But over time my sisters said, '...You have to become current. ... (Fans) want to feel like they're sitting in your living room and it's important that you convey that to your fans.'"

Braxton Family Values airs Tuesdays.

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▶ The Braxton sisters, Toni, foreground center, and from left, Traci, Towanda, Trina and Tamar, of the WeTV reality series, Braxton Family Values, pose for a portrait in New York.

TV watch list

Carell, Ferrell re-united on The Office

TV SHOW. The parade of high-profile guest stars visiting The Office continues tonight with Will Ferrell starting a four-episode story arc.

We already know Ferrell and Office star Steve Carell have great comic chemistry thanks to the 2006 film Anchorman: The Legend of Ron Burgundy, so here's hoping for lots of goofy interaction.

Ferrell plays the Scranton branch's new manager, Deangelo Vickers, and everyone is angling to make a good first impression.

▶ **The Office**
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Real women of the mob

New show looks at what it's really like to live in a crime family

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From left, Mob Wives Renee Graziano, Karen Gravano, Drita D'avanzo and Carla Facciolo.

Meet four women with family problems.

• Renee Graziano's dad is Anthony Graziano, who is a high-ranking member of the mob, Feds say, and is currently serving time for racketeering. Her ex-husband has also had a scrape with the law on a gambling charge.

• Drita D'avanzo is the wife of Lee D'avanzo, the alleged leader of a Bonanno and Colombo crime family team who has been incarcerated for bank robbery — twice — spanning most of their married life.

• Carla Facciolo's father went to prison when she was a girl. Now her husband, a former broker, is behind bars for stock fraud. She tells her twin girls that daddy's away working.

• Most notable of all, Karen Gravano is the daughter of Sammy "The Bull" Gravano, the notorious mob turncoat who co-operated with the government to help take down John Gotti and the Gambino crime family. He, too, is currently in jail.

Not surprisingly, all four women have crossed paths through the years and, in certain cases, been lifelong pals. All are single mothers.

Now they're bonding at their Staten Island, N.Y., stomping ground for a new reality show, Mob Wives, a sort of Growing Up Gotti multiplied by four. It premiers this week on VH1 in the U.S. Keeping it all in the family, the show's creator and executive producer is Jennifer Graziano, Renee's sister.

"We are all similar women who come from a similar world and the same life situations," says Karen, who, for a future episode, was hosting a kaffeeklatsch recently in her living room that overlooks New York harbour. "I think our parents tried to keep us out of it, but it's the only world you know," she says, "and in Staten Island, everybody looks up to gangsters and street guys like they're celebrities in Hollywood."

But Karen has learned there's a downside to the underworld. That's part of her reason for being in "Mob Wives." She is also writing a book about Growing Up Gravano.

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Let the games begin

The satire on U.K. series 2012 may be too close to Olympics' reality

The broken clock had perfect timing.

Twenty Twelve, a satirical BBC sitcom about the London Olympics, kicked off last month with an episode that saw organizers unveil a baffling backwards-running clock counting down to the start of the Games.

Life soon imitated art.

A real clock installed in London's Trafalgar Square — hours before the show's launch — to tick down the 500 days to the opening ceremony stopped dead the very next day. It was several hours before engineers got it going again.

It was priceless free publicity for the BBC's Twenty Twelve, which has become must-watch television for those involved with organizing the Games — and anyone who has ever wondered whether London's creaky infrastructure can cope with an Olympic-sized challenge.

Each week on the show is an exercise in Murphy's Law: An athlete hired to help whip up excitement about the Games turns out to be phenomenally boring.

Each indignity is endured by a team of well-meaning but befuddled managers and a perky "Head of Brand" (Jessica Hynes), who spouts a torrent of PR bafflegab: "Here's where we ramp up the public interest and take it to the next level ... go viral and launch 2012 2.0."

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In the mock-documentary format pioneered by comedies like The Office, the show goes behind the scenes at the fictional Olympic Deliverance Commission, run by long-suffering "Head of Deliverance" Ian Fletcher (Hugh Bonneville, recently seen as aristocratic Lord Grantham in costume drama Downton Abbey).

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▶ The well-meaning team on 2012

Bieber frustrated by Israeli media

Aggressive papparazzi and politics plaguing his visit to the holy land

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▶ Justin Bieber

Justin Bieber's trip to Israel is off to a rocky start — tentative plans to meet the prime minister have fallen through under contentious circumstances, and the teen heartthrob says he has holed himself up in his hotel to escape the country's notoriously aggressive paparazzi.

Bieber, adored by young fans worldwide for hits like Baby, arrived in Israel on Monday and was planning to spend the week sightseeing ahead of an outdoor concert in Tel Aviv on Thursday.

The 17-year-old artist has set off a wave of excitement, with young females camped outside his hotel and photographers aggressively following him at every stop.

Even Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu appears to have been caught up in the hype. Officials in his office said the Israeli leader had hoped to meet the singer, but hinted that politics had scuttled the visit.

A spokesman for Netanyahu said Bieber's representatives had initiated the meeting, and the prime minister thought it would be a good idea. He said Netanyahu hoped to bring children from Israel's embattled south, which has daily rocket attacks. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Talking points

Brand wants to have his own kids

PEOPLE While Katy Perry might not be quite ready for kids, Russell Brand is more than eager, according to Hollyscoop.

"I love children. I am very much looking forward to becoming a dad. Who knows when? Soon I hope," he says, adding that having his own might help mature him. "I go nuts with children. Especially when I don't have any. So when I'm around my friends' children, I jazz them kids up, I swear at them, I get them all worked up, I say crazy stuff to them. I fill their heads with nonsense and then leave them."

But if he and Perry do start a family, it might mean heading back to England.

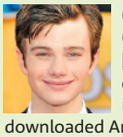
"I secretly want to do that," he says. "I have a fear of hearing my American children speak to me in American accents." METRO

Cowell closing in on billionaire status

PEOPLE It's no surprise that Simon Cowell brings in a decent salary — if $208,000 a day is considered decent. In just a nine-month span in 2009, Cowell earned $52.8 million thanks to American Idol, America's Got Talent and the X Factor, among other ventures, according to Hollyscoop. And within the next six years, Cowell could even hit billionaire status, since he now owns all of his musical and television assets, including the U.K. and U.S. versions of the X Factor. METRO

Celebrity tweets

Joan Rivers [@Joan_Rivers] Just arrived in the U.K. People here are taking "The King's Speech" Oscar win very seriously! Everyone in London now has a stutter.


Chris Colfer [@chriscolfer] I finally downloaded Angry Birds. I haven't slept in four days...

Zooey Deschanel [@therealzooeyd] I feel bad for wimps who can't drink coffee at night. sorry, wimps, coffee tastes just as good at night.

Steve Martin [@SteveMartinToGo] Working on new stand-up act with just swearing, no jokes. Feels right.
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Gaga disses plastic surgery

Despite her outlandish costumes and hairstyles, Lady Gaga isn't planning any permanent changes to her appearance.

"I have never had plastic surgery, and there are many pop singers who have," the singer tells Harper's Bazaar. "I think that promoting insecurity in the form of plastic surgery is infinitely more harmful than an artistic expression related to body modification. How many models and actresses do you see on magazine covers who have brand-new faces and have had plastic surgery?"

She also acknowledges that some might take her new habit of affixing pointed horns to her cheeks and shoulders the wrong way.

"Trust me, I know that. I think a lot of people love to convolute what everyone else does in order to disempower women. But my fans know me," she says. METRO

▶ Lady Gaga

Maxi skirts for every budget

- Skirts are dramatically long and easy breezy for spring
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3 life

After years of gut-sucking cigarette jeans and trousers, the maxi skirt phenomenon that has taken over spring feels like a liberating revolution. You can look chic and stunning without worrying about how many carbs you ate the day before. It's a win-win. KENYA HUNT

Trend of the week

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1 ROBERTO CAVALLI
pleated maxi
$1,980, **netaporter.com**

2

2 DELIA'S
tie-dye skirt
$45, **delias.com**

3

3 ANTHROPOLOGIE
striped skirt
$160, **anthropologie.com**

4

4 ZARA
printed skirt, $65,
zara.com

5

5 FREE PEOPLE
$148, **freepeople.com**

6

6 SUNO
pleated skirt, $800,
shopbop.com

Style pick

Days of the week underwear
With the music video disaster Friday becoming a bona fide YouTube hit, it's become clear that some people may not know that Sunday comes after Saturday. Never forget which day it is again with Stella McCartney's Knickers of the Week.

Brit Williamson is ready to share his bohemian look with mainstream America.

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These best friends are setting trends

The yin and yang fashion aesthetic of Lemonade Mouth's two young starlets is about to get tweens talking

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▶ Hailey Kiyoko, left and Naomi Scott star in Lemonade Mouth.

Hayley Kiyoko and Naomi Scott are the next generation of Disney Channel starlets, and these BFFs are getting a crash course in signing autographs, security guards and singing on live TV.

They've hit the media circuit this week and have a premiere to attend before Friday's debut of the TV movie Lemonade Mouth, about kids forming a band. But if this whole experience has been "just weird, just crazy" – Scott's words – dressing the part hasn't been.

Kiyoko, 20, seems poised to become a fashion force, gravitating toward funky styles, wearing a leather cowboy shirt and shorts with tights. She even pulls off the leather fanny pack that she feels fairly passionate about. ("I love the fanny pack because I hate bringing those Mary Poppins big bags everywhere," she says. "I can wear this and keep my stuff safe and I can always reach my phone and lip gloss.")

Her taste is "left of centre," and while she enjoys very much the self-expression that comes with fashion, the shopping part is mediocre, she says. The maximum time limit at the mall for this Los Angeles-area native is 90 minutes.

Scott would rather be shopping for candy and other sweets, although she likes the occasional spin through a Zara or an All-Saints shop. "Fashion" isn't really her thing, she says, although she's quickly realizing that paying attention to her clothes, and her beauty and grooming routines are all part of her job.

Looking good exudes a confidence that she hopes her new tween fans will learn, she says, but she wants the emphasis to be on a good, healthy outlook, not on perfection.

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Kate's perfect pair?

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Kate Middleton is allegedly planning on wearing ballet flats on her wedding day. In fact, rumour has it Kate may wear four or five different pairs of shoes throughout the celebration.

We probably won't know many details until April 29th, but London designer Aruna Seth received an official letter from Buckingham Palace informing her that her designs were being considered.

Any bride —princess or not — would be overjoyed to walk down the aisle in these bejewelled nude patent leather flats. Powder, a bridal boutique in Woodbridge, Ontario, is the exclusive Canadian retailer for Aruna Seth shoes.

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Model-ready your hair

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The Kit models are busy women, and have a lot to say when it comes to keeping their hair in top shape. Here are some of their tips:

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- Always use styling products that help hair stand up to the rigours of the curling or flat iron.
- Choose the best products for your particular hair, whether it's thin hair that could use some volumizing, or colour-treated hair that requires the right conditioner.
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Get ready for home renos

Come spring, winter-weary Canadians tend to focus their thoughts on outdoor projects in anticipation of those hot days of summer Here are four popular home renovation projects

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All decked out

Decking is the No. 1 home renovation project of choice, says Liz Martin, a project guide with Rona, which offers customers free in-store deck designs, from basic to sophisticated, in an assortment of materials.

"Spring is about extending your living space," says Martin. "You're opening your doors and making the outside inviting."

A basic pressure-treated 10-by-10-foot deck will cost around $1,000 for the do-it-yourselfer; a 20-by-20-foot deck would run $2,800.

A decking material homeowners should consider, says Martin, is interlocking stone, which is maintenance free, has a longer lifespan than wood and generally offers more privacy as stone platforms are typically built lower to the ground.

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Curb appeal

Now's also the time to think curb appeal. Consider an asphalt driveway to neaten up your existing gravel or dirt driveway.

The beauty of asphalt is that it's far more flexible than concrete so it's less likely to crack. It's also cheaper than concrete and sets faster.

Asphalt driveways are not likely a do-it-yourself job. Be careful when looking for a paving contractor, as the profession doesn't have the best reputation. Try looking for contractors at handycanadian.com, a website that helps consumers connect with reputable contractors.

The cost of a new asphalt drive will cost from about $2 to $3.50 per square foot, says Kevin Guidolin of Upper Canada Asphalt.

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Landscape to perfection

Major landscaping is not a job for the faint of heart. Not only do you need time and patience, but if you're doing it all at once, it can be costly.

There are ways to break up the expense. A step-by-step approach, whether professionally installed or planted by hand, helps spread out the cost, according to Home Depot.

Before planting anything, you'll need to install your drainage and consider irrigation.

Map out your paths and patios. Think about vertical focal points such as trees, gazebos or pergolas.

With these in place, you're ready to fill in your landscape canvas with beds, shrubs and other plant materials over time.

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About the garage

Extending your indoor living space into the garage is a good idea if you're short on funds or can't stomach the disruption of a major addition.

The first thing you need to do is check with your local building inspector to ensure the coast is clear for the conversion.

Many garages already have existing plumbing and electricity in place so that's not as expensive as installing from scratch.

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Soon, yes, very soon, we will be looking toward the outside of the house to expand our living and entertaining space.

This year's outdoor trends are all about adding colour and fun to the balcony, deck or backyard.

Here's a roundup of fun, affordable items to help brighten up the outside — without breaking the bank.

Yes, the tacky gnome is back! Add some whimsy to your back yard with this famous outdoor fellow, Elfric Gnome, Statue, Home Depot.

Relax into these pillows that look too stylish to be left outside! Ventura Bloom Pillow, Crate and Barrel.

Add some bedazzle to the back deck this summer with Solar Stone's LED Dragonfly stone. Home Hardware stores.

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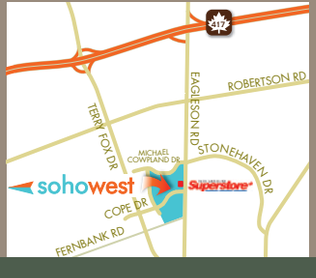

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The fine art of pruning

Clematis is one of the earliest vines to green up in the spring But there's confusion about whether this woody plant should be pruned

There's a lot to like about clematis, one of the earliest vines to green up in the spring. It's easy to grow, blooms in profusion and is hardy, with some varieties lasting more than 50 years.

Yet there remains a great deal of confusion about when — or even if — these plants should be pruned.

"If you have vines that grow 20 feet a year, they likely will be blooming in your neighbour's yard and not your own," said Linda Beutler, curator of the Rogerson Clematis Collection at West Lynn, Ore., and author of Gardening with Clematis. "The reason for pruning is to keep them under control."

The tops get bulky and the bottoms appear bare if you don't prune clematis plants every two or three years, Beutler said.

There are more than 250 clematis species and even more hybrids.

People new to gardening often are intimidated by pruning, but the clematis groupings are pretty straightforward, said Sandy Feather, a commercial horticulture specialist with Penn State Cooperative Extension in Pittsburgh.

"If you know which cultivar you have, (then) a lot of charts on the Internet can help show you when you should be pruning," Feather said.

With clematis, you ignore pruning at your peril, said Dennis Patton, a horticulture agent with Kansas State University Research and Extension at Olathe. "Left untended, they will grow into a tangled mass of vines mixed with new growth. They will be unruly looking. Difficult to manage," he said.

Pruning the tops of the plants brings blooms back down to eye level, Patton said. "If in doubt, don't prune before flowering."

There are many ways to kill clematis, but pruning isn't one of them."

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Clematis

- **Group A:** Vigorous spring-blooming varieties, including Alpina, Armandii and Montana varieties. They should be pruned as soon as they finish blooming.
- **Group B:** Large flowered hybrids, such as Nelly Moser, Miss Bateman and Henryi. Prune the tops lightly in February or March. They can be given a second cutting immediately after flowering.
- **Group C:** Late bloomers, including the iconic Jackmani, the Perle d'Azur and Duchess of Albany. They should be pruned in late winter or early spring.

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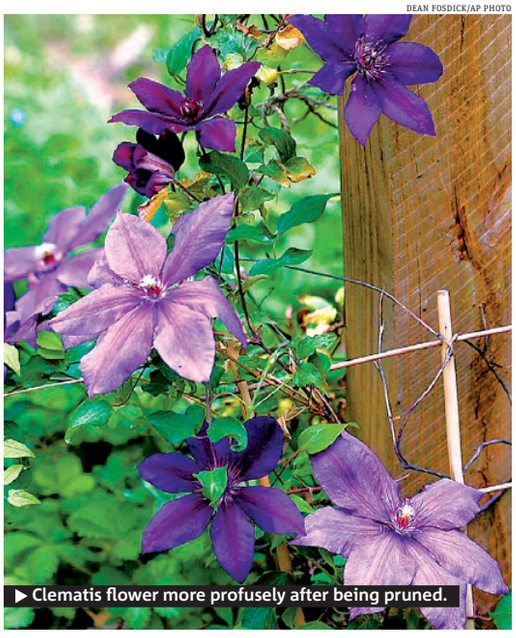

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Shaking out the winter hues

Looking to chase winter out of your home? Choose spring colours
Metro offers a few tips to bring spring into every room in your home

It's time to bring the outside in with colour, fragrance and decor!

It may just be starting to feel like spring outside, but the new season is fully upon us. If you can't wait for the warmer days to arrive, speed things up by bringing spring inside your home.

• Fresh cut flowers bring a spring feel into any room. Hints of bright colours such as red, orange and yellow tulips make a big impact.

"Daffodils, freesia, irises, all those kinds of things that we associate with spring flowering are also a good idea," suggests Maggie Clarke, a florist with Fine's Flowers Ltd. in Ottawa. "Generally you can buy them in various stages of development. But it's good to buy them young so that the flower stems are just coming through the earth and to watch them grow and develop."

Open up

Open the windows for a few hours to get air circulating in your home. Things can get stuffy during the long winter months.

Put them where you least expect them such as in the bathroom or the kitchen. It will make the room feel seasonal and inviting.

• Another way to bring flowers in is to cut some from trees and put in water to force the blooms.

• Outdoor scents in the home help make it feel like spring, too. Cleaning products feature all kinds of scents including lavender and lemon. Or light candles with a crisp linen or grassy scent.

• Change window dressings, rugs, and slipcovers to natural fabrics like linen, cotton and sisal that look natural and feel good to the touch. Popular colours to use are bright greens, neutrals like grey and white, and colours with a naturally faded, or 'worn,' look such as light blue or coral.

• Consider repainting trims, mouldings, and baseboards as a quick and easy way to make the room look better.

• Polypropylene indoor/outdoor rugs are a flexible way to bring colour into the home. Although they are synthetic material, these rugs can be put anywhere from a kitchen or mudroom floor to a deck or wharf. Even when it's not that warm out yet, seeing a light-coloured mat on the deck makes you feel like spring.

• In areas that don't have windows such as bathrooms or hallways, try using mirrors or light colours. Or wallpaper can provide a light touch to the room, too.

• Lastly, don't forget the yard. Give the grass and beds a good raking so that new flowers don't have to compete with old leaves.

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▶ Fresh cut blooms are the perfect way to bring spring warmth into any room.

How does your garden grow?

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▶ Getting rid of last year's garden waste is the first step to making your outdoor space ready for spring blooms.

With spring just around the corner, it's time for a few garden pick me ups.

To start with, gently rake your garden free of leaf mulch, and dead branches — exposing the soil helps warm it up.

"But don't walk on any grass when the frost is still coming — wait until your lawn or garden has dried up," says Joan Johnston, owner of Peter Knipple Nursery in Ottawa.

Then, give the beds a nicely defined outline by digging a small trough along the edge of the garden, using an edger, which is a half moon blade with a long handle. Next, mulch with a good quality product — it should smell nice and help make any colour of shrub stand out. Work it in-

Poke away

Remember that once a year, it's important to aerate the lawn (poke it with holes) using a metal pronged aerator.

to the soil with a cultivator or garden trowel, and don't cover the shrub's crown.

Add any compost you've been cooking over the winter as a natural fertilizer. If you don't have a compost pile, check the municipality for compost giveaway days. Prune last year's perennials to make way for new growth (appearing from the root crown). Consider waiting until there is bud growth so you can see where the new growth will occur. METRO

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Tips for a spic-and-span spring

April showers bring May flowers, along with some major spring cleaning Read on for Metro's guide to getting your home sparkling clean

The arrival of spring means it's time to really clean up.

If you've kept up with housework, it will only take a few tasks to have your home fresher. Here are some insider tips.

Whether you have a fireplace or other furnace, keeping everything closed up over the winter can leave drapes and carpets smelling musty.

Dry-cleaning draperiess, and washing the windows will make a huge difference.

Be sure to move furniture away from the walls to wipe down the baseboards where dust clings.

"Start up high cleaning — don't fight the law of gravity in that things fall down," says Patrick Irwin, president of Windsor Home Cleaning in Ottawa.

"The things people miss are above our level and below our level. The dust and dirt will floor and do the floors last."

For kitchen cabinets and their built-up grime, use a good degreaser and wipe it off with a damp cloth.

A degreaser removes everything and restores wood to its original look. Pay lots of attention to appliance handles where dirt really sticks.

It might be a good idea while you're in the kitchen to clean out the freezer and get rid of food that has been there for a year.

While showers, tubs and sinks are part of regular cleaning, you'll need to remove shower curtains and scrub them down. Cloth curtains are usually fine to wash in the washer. Replace the plastic liners if they are grungy.

Shake out and air carpets.

A portable steam machine does a good job at spot cleaning stains. Or spread the rug on the deck, and scrub with laundry soap and water, then hose down.

Front and back doors have probably taken a beating from wet salty boots, so clean thoroughly: door frame, screen door, and along the wall.

Don't forget the rubber backed mat — vacuum and wash both sides.

To remove pet odours, sprinkle baking soda on carpets, then vacuum. You can add a few drops of essential oil to the baking soda first for a fresher smell.

Replace or wash furnace filters, and remember to turn the ceiling fan to counter-clockwise to push air down and create a stronger draft.

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Do-all cleaning kit

- "Have all your supplies and equipment ready — don't be racing around and getting prepared because you'll waste time," suggests Patrick Irwin, president of Windsor Home Cleaning in Ottawa.
- "And, do one room at a time — don't jump around with the vacuum and the mop. In one room alone you'll probably do 30-40 different routines, and you won't remember what you've done."
- **So what to use?**
  - Lightweight powerful vacuum with reusable bags.
  - All-purpose concentrate for cleaning everything.
  - Cream cleanser. Use a degreaser for the kitchen, a cream cleanser with bleach for sinks and tubs and a floor cleaner for wood, tile, and laminate floors.
  - Powder cleanser for tiles, old tubs and toilets as well as removing marks old linoleum.
  - Glass cleaner. If you have sensitivities to chemicals, try one of the new biodegradable all natural cleaning products with essential oil fragrances.

Spring into spring with asparagus

This unique flatbread features the light taste of asparagus and avocado Satisfy pizza & salad lovers

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This Asparagus Flatbread with Avocado Cream is sure to be a crowd pleaser, providing a fusion of pizza and salad.

With vibrant spring colours and bright flavours, it makes a terrific brunch. You can also cut the flatbreads into small squares for an appetizer.

Ingredients:

- 1 ripe avocado
- 1/3 cup (75 mL) milk (approx.)
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) fresh basil leaves
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) lemon juice
- 1/4 tsp (1 mL) each salt and pepper
- Pinch crushed hot pepper flakes
- 16 asparagus spears, trimmed
- Half small red pepper, very thinly sliced
- 1/4 cup (60 mL) very thinly sliced red onion
- 3 thin slices prosciutto, torn into pieces
- 2 tbsp (30 mL) olive oil
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 prepared plain flatbreads or focaccia, about 12 x 7–inch (30cm x 18cm)

Preparation:

1. In food processor, purée avocado with milk, basil, lemon juice, salt, pepper and pepper flakes until smooth. (Add extra milk as needed to achieve a mixture that is easy to drizzle.)
2. Bring large pot of salted water to boil. Add asparagus; after 1 minute add red pepper and cook for 2 minutes longer. Transfer asparagus and red pepper to an ice water bath; drain and dry well. Cut asparagus in half, lengthwise.
3. Blend oil with garlic and brush over flatbreads; bake in 425 F (220 C) oven for 8 to 10 minutes or until crisp and golden; transfer to a cutting board. Drizzle half of avocado mix over breads. Garnish with asparagus, red pepper, onion and prosciutto; drizzle with additional sauce.

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▶ Substitute prepared flatbreads for store-bought or hommade pizza dough. Roll the dough out to size and increase the baking time to 15 minutes.

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SIDEDOOR'S CHEF SHINES

We asked Chef Matthew Carmichael to tell us why he installed Jonathan Korecki as chef at the new Sidedoor contemporary kitchen & bar:

1. Hands down, Jonathan Korecki is the next chef to influence this city. He's young, talented and a great team leader. This industry is so demanding and requires so much commitment. Jonny has been with me for four years and he's earned his wings.

2. As a protégé of Susur Lee, Jonny and this style of food is a natural match. It's almost like he was Asian in a past life.

3. He's one of the most technical cooks I know. When we decided to do made-to-order tacos, Jonny tweaked the masa dough recipe, and nailed it. And when we decided to do donuts, we initially thought of doing a cake batter donut, but Jonny took it a step further and tweaked out a labour intensive, technical, yeasted donut dough. They're incredible little morsels of warm sweet goodness.

4. When service hits critical mass, and the chit machine starts to roll, true-line cooks actually look forward to this time of day. This is when Jonny shines and everyone around him tries to keep pace.

5. Lastly, the people I work with day-to-day I see more than my lovely wife. Because of this I have to enjoy being around the people I work with. They have to bring positivity and strive for excellence. They have to be kind individuals to the core. Jonny's not only a great cook; he's an all around great guy. If you are a positive, loving individual it's going to reflect in the food that you cook. Come try the food – love tastes really good.

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- LCBO offers new vintages bi-monthly at affordable prices
- Discover lesser known wine regions in France, New Zealand, and Italy

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Let the kids keep the chocolate bunnies because your springtime treat is from this week's LCBO Vintages release. The focus is on New Zealand's signature varietals — Sauvignon Blanc and Pinot Noir along with the first bottles of Rosé wines — a sign that spring is definitely here! And then there are loads of value-laden wines under $20, including Apollonio Valle Cupa from Puglia Italy, Hogue's Reserve Merlot from Washington state and the Luigi Bosca Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon from Argentina. It was difficult to narrow down the selection for this feature, so we've ended up a few pennies over $100. However, once you've tried these wines, I'm sure you'll agree it's worth it.

Carrick Pinot Noir 2007, Central Otago, New Zealand – $34.95 (Vintages #919837) 13.5% alcohol. A fabulous silky ruby red wine that offers a tapestry of aromas and flavours.

Eradus Sauvignon Blanc 2009, AAwatere Valley, Marlborough, New Zealand – $17.95 (Vintages #225557) 13.5% alcohol. A classic New Zealand Sauvignon Blanc displaying lively acidity and significant weight on the palate; a wine for pairing with a spring time feast.

Featherstone Estate Winery 'Black Sheep' Riesling VQA 2010, Niagara Peninsula – $16.95 (Vintages #80234) 11.0% alcohol. A great wine with a neat story! Sheep tend to the vineyards to help create the optimal conditions for ripeness, seen in the rich fruity character of this refreshing spring sipper.

'La Domelière' Rasteau Côtes du Rhône-Villages 2009, AOC Rasteau Côtes du Rhône-Villages, France – $15.00 (Vintages #222927) 14.5% alcohol. What a value! A youthful blend that's darkly fruity, spicy and nicely balanced.

Falesco Vitiano 2008, IGT Umbria, Italy - $15.95 (Vintages #950204) 13.5% alcohol. Another red blend displaying great value, with a strong palate and lovely notes of dark toast.

Grand Total: $100.80

Hidden Gem

For lovers of Indian food, you really need to try Bombay Garden. Specializing in South Indian cuisine, everything is homemade with freshly ground spices and every bite is bursting with exotic flavour.

Bombay Garden is one of the few places in Ottawa that you can order a dosa. Thin crispy chickpea crepes filled with wonderfully spiced potatoes, the dosa is a meal in itself. Their butter chicken is delicious, biryanis full of magic and their lamb roganjosh is peppery and aromatic.

With just enough choices on their menu to make any carnivore or vegetarian happy, Bombay Garden is simply a joy to dine at.

The restaurant is located in a small strip-mall just south of Hunt Club Rd. You can dine in or order in advance and pick up your meal. ROBIN DUETTA

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Upcoming Events

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All over the city there are exciting functions to help you expand your palette or knowledge of food, wine, and culture. Here are a few events that you might not have heard of:

1

A Taste for Life is a unique fundraiser offering the chance to enjoy a dine-out with friends or family. 48 local restaurants are supporting Bruce House and the Snowy Owl AIDS Foundation on April 17th. **atasteforlife.org**

2

From Coast to Coast Casino du Lac-Leamy's Le Baccara restaurant invites you to travel "from coast to coast" until April 17 and savour a seven-course epicurean adventure. For reservations, call 819-772-6210.

3

Nando's flamed-grilled chicken restaurant just opened their second location at 3838 Innes Rd. The first Nando's is located at 1461 Merivale Rd. The menu offers Afro-Portuguese inspired cuisine. **nandos.com**

KATRINA MCINTOSH/FOR METRO

▶ On April 27, Allium will donate 25% of your bill to Bruce House and to The Snowy Owl AIDS Foundation

Curd On The Street

Named after the famous Parisian music hall depicting fun and frivolity, La Fromagerie des Folies Bergères cheeses are a far cry from foolish. Launched last year in Ottawa, these lovely cheeses, from Sainte-Sixte, Quebec, continue to be a smash hit in our nation's capital. Lots of love, passion, and farmstead milk from the over 150 sheep they raise creates a wide variety of yummy ewe's milk cheeses. Maggie Paradis and Christian Girard "are in the business of selling pleasure, not cheese." Their light-hearted approach to cheese-making – and life – is evident right down to the can-can dancing sheep with colourful tutus, adorning their product label.

After April 1st, we leave behind foolery and choose delicious fun. This week's feature stars Le Jupon Frivole, a soft, surface-ripened pasteurized sheep's milk cheese. The small, delicate wheel has a thick, white bloomy rind, with a pale ivory paste that is fluffy and slightly crumbly when young, becoming rich and creamy with age. Earthy, mushroomy aromas are mixed with slightly yeasty, salty flavour. Enjoy with a full-bodied red wine.

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▶ Fromagerie Les Folies Bergères were the first producers of sheep's milk cheese in the Outaouais region.

BBQ 101: The Perfect Burger

With BBQ weather upon us, we offer up some tips to create the perfect hamburger.

1 The Meat Makes It. Start with coarse ground meat with a fairly high fat content. That's where the flavour comes from. Have your butcher custom grind it for you. 80% fat and coarsely ground.

2 Don't Over Spice It! Resist the urge to use onion soup mix. Don't fill it full of sun dried tomatoes and feta cheese. Simply season with salt and pepper on the grill.

3 Don't Over Work It! Heat from your hands melts the fat. Simply grab a handful of meat, make the patty (one-inch thick at the most), and that's that.

4 High-contained heat. Heat your grill as high as you can get it. Place your patties on the grill and close the lid. Your patties will sear to it and when the grill is ready to let them go, that's the time to flip 'em. After about 2 ½ – 3 minutes the grill should let them go. When they flip easily, plop them all over and close the lid again. Another 2 ½ -3 minutes and flip them again. Wait another 2-3 minutes and your burgers should be perfectly medium.

5 Toppings. Here is where creativity comes in. The options are only limited to what you can come up with. Here are some interesting toppings: peanut butter; mayo, avocado, cucumber and sri-racha sauce; hummus; pickled beets; kimchee; tzatziki.

▶ Mmmm.... delicious grilled hamburger.

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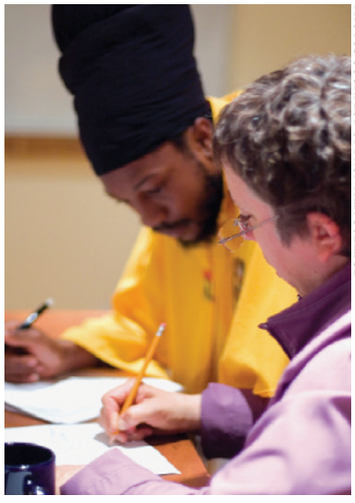

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Volunteer tutors are valued at Frontier College, a national volunteer-based literacy organization

VOLUNTEERING BENEFITS NOT JUST THOSE ON THE RECEIVING END BUT ALSO THE PEOPLE DONATING THEIR TIME AND ENERGY

Toronto's Nelisha Dumont and Phyllis Miller can attest to the fact that volunteering has a positive impact on everyone involved. Last November, when Dumont started working with Miller, who has been a volunteer literacy tutor at Frontier College since 2007, she was shy and having trouble reading and writing.

The two and a half hours the 21-year-old Toronto resident has been spending with Miller on Thursday mornings, when they work on vocabulary, grammar, reading and writing, has made a big difference in both her skills and her outlook.

Today Dumont especially enjoys writing stories about herself and her family. When she's ready, she plans to get her GED—and she has Miller to thank for helping her achieve her goals. "Phyllis is very helpful, and I learn something new from her every time we meet," says Dumont. "I was kind of shy when we started, and now I'm more confident. I really appreciate what Phyllis is teaching me."

Miller is a retired civil servant who spends about 10 hours a week helping Frontier College students improve their literacy skills. As a manager during her career, she regularly reviewed her staff's reports and letters to check them for accuracy. She has always been interested in literacy, and when she retired she looked for a volunteer outlet that would use her skills and experience in that area.

Miller is happy to be able to pass on her knowledge to the students at Frontier College, which is a 25-minute walk from her home. "I really enjoy seeing the lights go on when they 'get it' and become ready to move on without me," says Miller. "Plus, the staff are tremendously supportive and encouraging."

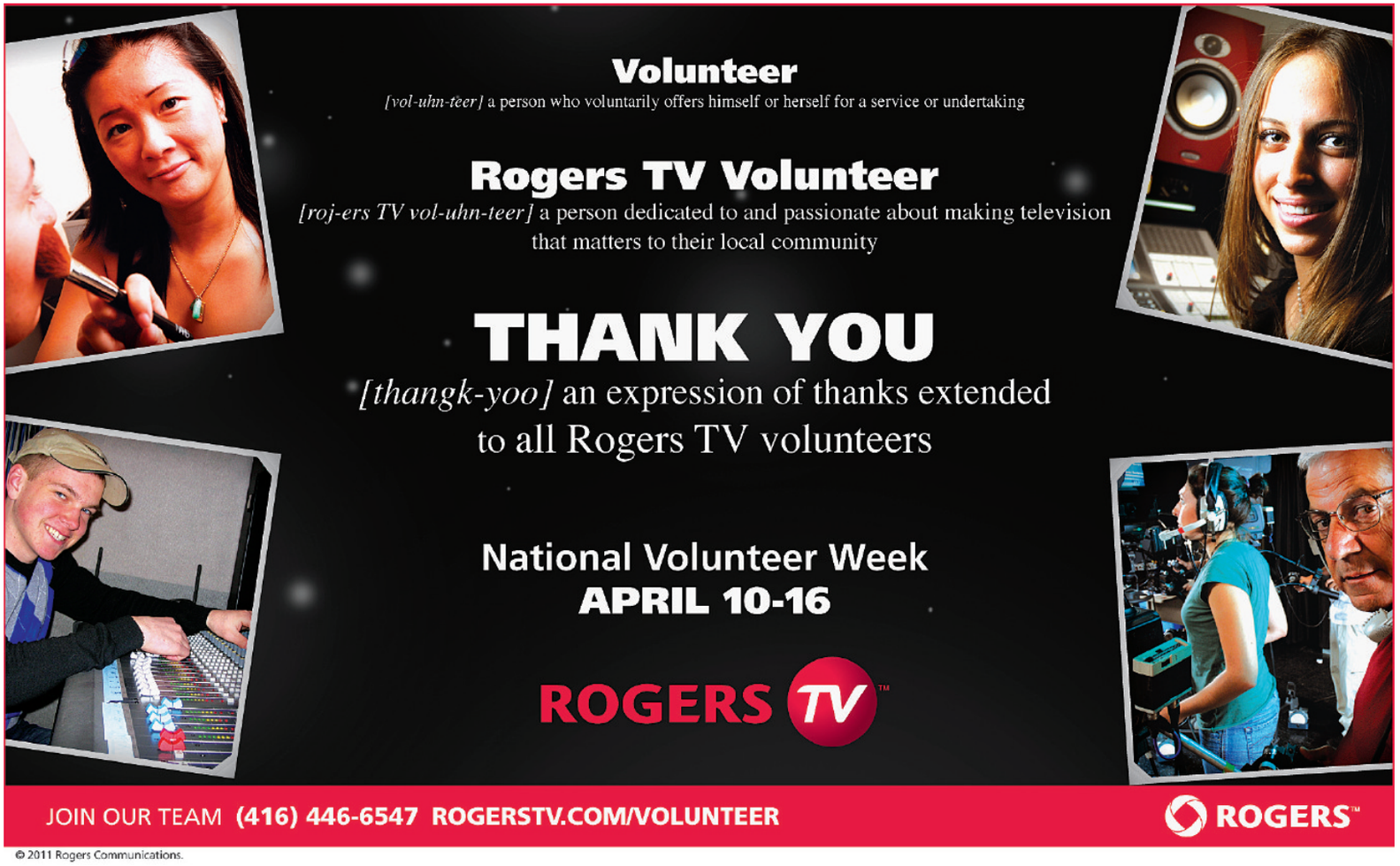
To learn more about how to become a volunteer, visit www.volunteer.ca or call 1-800-670-0401.

by Jane Doucet

BY THE NUMBERS

Toronto's Phyllis Miller is one of 12.5 million Canadians who volunteer for charitable and not-for-profit organizations. Here are a few other interesting statistics about volunteering:

- **2.1 billion:** the number of hours Canadian volunteers donate annually, which is equivalent to about 1.1 million full-time jobs.
- **161,000:** the approximate number of charitable and not-for-profit organizations in Canada.
- **200:** the number of Volunteer Centres in Canada.
- **7%:** this single group of the population contributes nearly 80% of the total volunteer hours tallied.
- **73%:** the percentage of businesses that either support or accommodate volunteering.



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4 sports

Tambellini willing to be patient

For the second straight year, the Edmonton Oilers are on the clock.

But there's much more on general manager Steve Tambellini's to-do list this off-season than picking first at June's NHL draft.

Yesterday he signed centre Tyler Pitlick to a three-year entry-level contract. Pitlick, 19, had 27 goals and 35 assists this season in 56 games with the WHL's Medicine Hat Tigers after being selected 31st overall by Edmonton last year.

2nd Edmonton became just the second team in NHL history to get the first overall pick two straight years. Ottawa did it in 1995 and 1996.

"You look at the age group of the players who just came into the lineup who have been here for a couple of years, we've added back-to-back first-overall picks. This is the time to do it," Tambellini said.

New Jersey actually won the lottery, but since rules dictate teams can only move up four spots, the Devils will pick fourth.

"This is part of the plan we talked about, of how we were going to rebuild," Tambellini said. "These are players we are going to be selecting in June who are going to play for the Oilers and be a big part of it."

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"This organization is not ready to be looking for the free agent that is a $10-million player."

OILERS GM STEVE TAMBELLINI ON DEVELOPING YOUNG TALENT

Fleury stands tall for Penguins

Short-handed Pittsburgh uses grit and great goaltending to win Game 1

Alex Kovalev and Arron Asham scored third-period goals 18 seconds apart and Marc-Andre Fleury stopped 32 shots to lead the Pittsburgh Penguins to a 3-0 victory over the Tampa Bay Lightning in the first-round playoff opener in Pittsburgh last night.

Chris Kunitz sealed the win with an empty-net goal in the final minute in the Penguins' first post-season game in the Consol Energy Center. Brooks Orpik, who had two assists, set the tone with a heavy and clean check on Lightning star Steven Stamkos to start the game.

Fleury made spectacular saves — including a blind stop on former Penguins forward Ryan Malone in the first period — and shut down the Lightning's high-powered offence. Fleury earned his fifth playoff shutout, one short of tying Tom Barrasso's franchise record.

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PENGUINS	LIGHTNING
3	0

GENE PUSKAR/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

▶ Penguins goalie Marc-Andre Fleury blocks a shot by Tampa Bay's Teddy Purcell last night.

Quoted

"Kobe Bryant's comment during last night's game was offensive and inexcusable."

NBA COMMISSIONER DAVID STERN. THE NBA FINED KOBE BRYANT $100,000 US YESTERDAY FOR USING A DEROGATORY GAY TERM WHEN REFEREE BENNIE ADAMS CALLED A TECHNICAL FOUL ON HIM TUESDAY NIGHT IN THE THIRD QUARTER OF L.A.'S WIN OVER SAN ANTONIO.

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GM Nonis adds talented trio to IIHF roster

The core of the Canadian team is pretty much intact for the IIHF World Hockey Championship.

John Tavares, Jordan Eberle and Travis Zajac committed yesterday, bringing the number of forwards to 11. Five defencemen and goaltenders James Reimer and Devan Dubnyk have also signed up.

67 New York Islander John Tavares had 67 points in 79 games this season.

That leaves GM Dave Nonis with a few open roster spots, but they likely won't be filled until NHL teams start falling out of the playoffs.

Canada opens the tournament in Kosice, Slovakia, against Belarus on April 29.

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Sports in brief

Bynum injury is not serious

NBA. An MRI on L.A. Lakers centre Andrew Bynum yesterday showed only a bone bruise in his troublesome right knee.

The team says he should be able to play this weekend when the Lakers begin their quest for a third straight title.

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Madrid rolls past Spurs

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE. Real Madrid beat Tottenham 1-0 yesterday in the Champions League quarter-finals. Cristiano Ronaldo scored the only goal in a win for the Spanish club.

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NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

PLAYOFFS

All times Eastern

CONFERENCE QUARTER-FINALS

(Best-of-7 series)

EASTERN CONFERENCE

Washington (1) vs. N.Y. Rangers (8)
Last night's result
N.Y. Rangers at Washington
Tomorrow's game
N.Y. Rangers at Washington, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday's game
Washington at N.Y. Rangers, 3 p.m.
Wednesday, April 20
Washington at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.
Saturday, April 23
x-N.Y. Rangers at Washington, 3 p.m.
Monday, April 25
x-Washington at N.Y. Rangers, TBA
Wednesday, April 27
x-N.Y. Rangers at Washington, TBA
Philadelphia (2) vs. Buffalo (7)
Tonight's game
Buffalo at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday's game
Buffalo at Philadelphia, 5 p.m.
Monday's game
Philadelphia at Buffalo, 7 p.m.
Wednesday, April 20
Philadelphia at Buffalo, 7:30 p.m.
Friday, April 22
x-Buffalo at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, April 24
x-Philadelphia at Buffalo, 3 p.m.
Tuesday, April 26
x-Buffalo at Philadelphia, TBA
Boston (3) vs. Montreal (6)
Tonight's game
Montreal at Boston, 7 p.m.
Saturday's game
Montreal at Boston, 7 p.m.
Monday's game
Boston at Montreal, 7:30 p.m.
Thursday, April 21
Boston at Montreal, 7 p.m.
Saturday, April 23
x-Montreal at Boston, 7 p.m.
Tuesday, April 26
x-Boston at Montreal, TBA
Wednesday, April 27
x-Montreal at Boston, TBA
Pittsburgh (4) vs. Tampa Bay (5)
(Pittsburgh leads 1-0)
Last night's result
Pittsburgh 3 Tampa Bay 0
Tomorrow's game
Tampa Bay at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.
Monday's game
Pittsburgh at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.
Wednesday, April 20
Pittsburgh at Tampa Bay, 7 p.m.
Saturday, April 23
x-Tampa Bay at Pittsburgh, TBA
Monday, April 25
x-Pittsburgh at Tampa Bay, TBA
Wednesday, April 27
x-Tampa Bay at Pittsburgh, TBA

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Vancouver (1) vs. Chicago (8)
Last night's result
Chicago at Vancouver
Tomorrow's game
Chicago at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Sunday's game
Vancouver at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Tuesday, April 19
Vancouver at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Thursday, April 21
x-Chicago at Vancouver, 10 p.m.
Sunday, April 24
x-Vancouver at Chicago, 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 26
x-Chicago at Vancouver, TBA
San Jose (2) vs. Los Angeles (7)
Tonight's game
Los Angeles at San Jose, 10 p.m.
Saturday's game
Los Angeles at San Jose, 10 p.m.
Tuesday, April 19
San Jose at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.
Thursday, April 21
San Jose at Los Angeles, 10:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 23
x-Los Angeles at San Jose, 10:30 p.m.
Monday, April 25
x-San Jose at Los Angeles, TBA
Wednesday, April 27
x-Los Angeles at San Jose, TBA
Detroit (3) vs. Phoenix (6)
(Detroit leads 1-0)
Last night's result
Detroit 4 Phoenix 2
Saturday's game
Phoenix at Detroit, 1 p.m.
Monday's game
Detroit at Phoenix, 10:30 p.m.
Wednesday, April 20
Detroit at Phoenix, 10:30 p.m.
Friday, April 22
x-Phoenix at Detroit, 7 p.m.
Sunday, April 24
x-Detroit at Phoenix, TBA
Wednesday, April 27
x-Phoenix at Detroit, TBA
Anaheim (4) vs. Nashville (5)
Last night's result
Nashville at Anaheim
Tomorrow's game
Nashville at Anaheim, 10:30 p.m.
Sunday's game
Anaheim at Nashville, TBA
Wednesday, April 20
Anaheim at Nashville, TBA
Friday, April 22
x-Nashville at Anaheim, 10 p.m.
Sunday, April 24
x-Anaheim at Nashville, TBA
Tuesday, April 26
x-Nashville at Anaheim, TBA
x — played only if necessary.

PENGUINS 3, LIGHTNING 0

First Period — No Scoring.
Penalties — Kubina TB (interference) 9:36, Kennedy Pgh (hooking) 9:50, Moore TB (holding) 11:24, Malone TB (cross-checking) 15:26, Lovejoy Pgh (hooking) 19:01.
Second Period — No Scoring.
Penalties — Downie TB (hooking) 3:13, Malone TB, Kovalev Pgh (roughing) 8:46.
Third Period
1. Pittsburgh, Kovalev 1 (Neal, Martin) 6:05
2. Pittsburgh, Asham 1 (Letang, Orpik) 6:23
3. Pittsburgh, Kunitz 1 (Staal, Orpik) 19:18 (en)
Penalties — Bergenheim TB (tripping) 7:39, Lundin TB (high-sticking) 9:11.
Shots

Tampa Bay	14	7	11	—32
Pittsburgh	10	18	12	—40

Goal — Tampa Bay: Roloson (L,0-1-0); Pittsburgh: Fleury (W,1-0-0). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Tampa Bay: 0-1; Pittsburgh: 0-6.
Referees — Eric Furlatt, Wes McCauley. **Linesmen** — Steve Barton, Steve Miller.
Att. — 18,390 (18,087) at Pittsburgh.

RED WINGS 4, COYOTES 2

First Period
1. Phoenix, Turris 1 (Whitney, Doan) 2:16
Penalties — V.Filppula Det (tripping) 7:53, Lidstrom Det (hooking) 8:22, Abdelkader Det (high-sticking) 11:32, Schlemko Pho (slashing) 12:54, Helm Det (hooking) 18:49.
Second Period
2. Detroit, Datsyuk 1 (Franzen, Holmstrom) 7:38
3. Detroit, Franzen 1, 12:02
4. Detroit, Rafalski 1 (V.Filppula) 18:16 (pp)
Penalties — Eaves Det (hooking) 4:12, Hanzal Pho (holding stick) 5:30, Klesla Pho, Bertuzzi Det (fighting) 10:44, Jovanovski Pho (hooking) 16:54.
Third Period
5. Detroit, Hudler 1 (Miller) 3:16
6. Phoenix, Vrbata 1 (Hanzal, Korpikoski) 7:38
Penalty — Abdelkader Det (interference) 8:16.
Shots

Phoenix	11	8	9	—28
Detroit	9	17	10	—36

Goal — Phoenix: Bryzgalov (L,0-1-0); Detroit: Howard (W,1-0-0). **Power plays (goals-chances)** — Phoenix: 0-6; Detroit: 1-3.
Referees — Paul Devorski, Steve Kozari. **Linesmen** — Tim Nowak, Brian Murphy.
Att. — 20,066 (20,066) at Detroit.

FINAL REGULAR SEASON SCORING LEADERS

	G	A	PT
D.Sedin, Vcr	41	63	104
St. Louis, TB	31	68	99
Perry, Ana	50	48	98
H.Sedin, Vcr	19	75	94
Stamkos, TB	45	46	91
Iginla, Cal	43	43	86
Ovechkin, Wash	32	53	85
Selanne, Ana	31	49	80
Zetterberg, Det	24	56	80
B.Richards, Dal	28	49	77
E.Staal, Car	33	43	76
Toews, Chi	32	44	76
C.Giroux, Pha	25	51	76
Getzlaf, Ana	19	57	76
Kesler, Vcr	41	32	73
Marleau, SJ	37	36	73
Vanek, Buf	32	41	73
Eriksson, Dal	27	46	73
P.Kane, Chi	27	46	73
Kopitar, LA	25	48	73
Ryan, Ana	34	37	71
Sharp, Chi	34	37	71
Ribeiro, Dal	19	52	71
J.Thornton, SJ	21	49	70
Tanguay, Cal	22	47	69
Briere, Pha	34	34	68

TENNIS

ATP MONTE CARLO MASTERS

At Monte Carlo, Monaco
Singles — Second Round
Rafael Nadal (1), Spain, def. Jarkko Nieminen, Finland, 6-2, 6-2.
Andy Murray (3), Britain, def. Radek Stepanek, Czech Republic, 6-1, 6-4.
David Ferrer (4), Spain, def. Feliciano Lopez, Spain, 6-2, 6-0.
Tommy Robredo, Spain, def. Fernando Verdasco (6), Spain, 6-4, 6-3.
Jurgen Melzer (7), Austria, def. Robin Haase, Netherlands, 3-6, 6-1, 6-2.
Gael Monfils (8), France, def. Daniel Gimeno-Traver, Spain, 7-5, 6-2.
Nicolas Almagro (9), Spain, def. Maximo Gonzalez, Argentina, 6-7 (6), 7-5, 7-6 (10).
Viktor Troicki (11), Serbia, def. Fabio Fognini, Italy, 6-3, 4-6, 6-4.
Richard Gasquet (13), France, def. Guillermo Garcia-Lopez, Spain, 6-2, 6-1.
Marin Cilic (15), Croatia, def. Pere Riba, Spain, 5-2 (retired).
Gilles Simon (16), France, def. Albert Montanes, Spain, 6-3, 6-4.
Frederico Gil, Portugal, def. Florian Mayer, Germany, 7-5, 6-1.
Doubles — Second Round
Max Mirnyi, Belarus, and **Daniel Nestor (2), Toronto,** def. Richard Gasquet, France, and Ivan Ljubicic, Croatia, 6-2, 7-5.

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	6	3	.667	—
New York	5	4	.556	1
Toronto	6	6	.500	1½
Tampa Bay	3	8	.273	4
Boston	2	9	.182	5

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	8	3	.727	—
Kansas City	7	4	.636	1
Chicago	7	5	.583	1½
Detroit	5	7	.417	3½
Minnesota	4	7	.364	4

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	9	3	.750	—
Los Angeles	6	5	.545	2½
Oakland	6	6	.500	3
Seattle	4	8	.333	5

Yesterday's results
Toronto 8 Seattle 3
Oakland 7 Chicago White Sox 4 (10 innings)
Kansas City 10 Minnesota 5
Detroit 3 Texas 2
Tampa Bay at Boston, ppd.
Baltimore at N.Y. Yankees
Cleveland at L.A. Angels
Wednesday's results
Seattle 3 Toronto 2
Tampa Bay 3 Boston 2
L.A. Angels 2 Cleveland 0
Minnesota 4 Kansas City 3 (10 innings)
Chicago White Sox 6 Oakland 5 (10 innings)
Detroit 5 Texas 4
Baltimore at N.Y. Yankees, ppd., rain
Tonight's games
All times Eastern
Minnesota at Tampa Bay, 6:40 p.m.
Baltimore at N.Y. Yankees, 7:05 p.m.
Seattle at Kansas City, 8:10 p.m.
Detroit at Oakland, 10:05 p.m.

BLUE JAYS 8, MARINERS 3

Toronto	ab	r	h	bi	Seattle	ab	r	h	bi
YEscor ss	5	1	3	1	ISuzuki rf	5	1	0	0
CPttrsn cf	5	1	2	0	AKndy 2b	4	0	2	0
Bautist rf	5	1	1	3	Bradly lf	5	0	1	1
JRiver lf	3	0	0	0	Cust dh	5	0	1	0
Snider ph-lf	2	1	1	0	Smoak 1b	3	1	1	1
J.Nix 3b	5	1	2	0	Lngrhn cf	2	1	0	0
Arencii dh	4	0	1	1	LRdrgz 3b	3	0	0	0
Encrnc 1b	4	1	1	1	Ryan ss	3	0	1	1
JMcDnl 2b	4	1	0	0	CGmnz c	3	0	1	0
JMolin c	4	1	3	2					
Totals	**41**	**8**	**14**	**8**	**Totals**	**33**	**3**	**7**	**3**

Toronto	001	000	061	8
Seattle	001	001	010	3

E—J.Nix (2). LOB—Toronto 9, Seattle 10. 2B—Y.Escobar (1), J.Nix (2), Encarnacion (3), J.Molina 2 (3), Bradley (4). HR—Bautista (3), Smoak (1). SB—Snider (3), J.Nix (2). S—L.Rodriguez.

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
Drabek	5 2-3	6	2	2	4	5
Rzepczynski W,1-0	2	0	1	1	1	2
Rauch	1 1-3	1	0	0	1	1
Seattle						
Vargas	6 2-3	5	1	1	1	7
J.Wright H,2	1-3	0	0	0	0	1
Ray L,1-1 BS,2-2	2-3	5	5	5	0	0
Lueke	1-3	2	1	1	1	1
Wilhelmsen	1	2	1	1	1	1

WP—Drabek.
Umpires—Home, Wally Bell; First, Laz Diaz; Second, Scott Barry; Third, John Hirschbeck.
T—3:23. A—12,407 (47,878) at Seattle.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Philadelphia	8	3	.727	—
Florida	6	5	.545	2
Washington	5	6	.455	3
Atlanta	5	7	.417	3½
New York	4	6	.400	3½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cincinnati	8	4	.667	—
Milwaukee	6	5	.545	1½
Chicago	5	6	.455	2½
Pittsburgh	5	6	.455	2½
St. Louis	4	7	.364	3½
Houston	3	8	.273	4½

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Colorado	7	2	.778	—
Los Angeles	6	5	.545	2
Arizona	5	5	.500	2½
San Diego	5	6	.455	3
San Francisco	5	6	.455	3

Last night's results
San Diego 3 Cincinnati 2
Milwaukee 6 Pittsburgh 0
Philadelphia 3 Washington 2
Florida 5 Atlanta 1
Colorado at N.Y. Mets
Chicago Cubs at Houston
St. Louis at Arizona
L.A. Dodgers at San Francisco
Wednesday's results
San Francisco 5 L.A. Dodgers 4
Houston 11 Chicago Cubs 2
Atlanta 5 Florida 0
Washington 7 Philadelphia 4
Arizona 13 St. Louis 8
Cincinnati 8 San Diego 2
Milwaukee at Pittsburgh, ppd., rain
Colorado at N.Y. Mets, ppd., rain
Today's games
All times Eastern
Colorado at N.Y. Mets, 12:10 p.m., 1st game
Colorado at N.Y. Mets, 3:40 p.m., 2nd game
Milwaukee at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.
Philadelphia at Washington, 7:05 p.m.
Florida at Atlanta, 7:10 p.m.
San Diego at Houston, 8:05 p.m.
St. Louis at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10 p.m.

SOCCER

MLS

Last night's results
Los Angeles at Toronto FC
Colorado at Real Salt Lake
Tonight's game
All times Eastern
Chicago at Portland, 11 p.m.
Saturday's games
Seattle FC at Philadelphia, 4 p.m.
Chivas USA at Vancouver, 7 p.m.
D.C. United at Toronto FC, 7 p.m.
Sporting Kansas City at Columbus, 7:30 p.m.
San Jose at New York, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday's games
Los Angeles at Chicago, 4 p.m.
FC Dallas at Portland, 6 p.m.
New England at Houston, 7 p.m.
Thursday, April 21
New York at D.C. United, 8 p.m.
Friday, April 22
Seattle FC at Colorado, 9:30 p.m.

NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
z-Chicago	61	20	.753	—
y-Miami	57	24	.704	4
y-Boston	55	26	.679	6
x-Orlando	51	30	.630	10
x-Atlanta	44	37	.543	17
x-New York	42	39	.519	19
x-Philadelphia	41	40	.506	20
x-Indiana	37	44	.457	24
Milwaukee	34	47	.420	27
Charlotte	33	48	.407	28
Detroit	29	52	.358	32
New Jersey	24	57	.296	37
Washington	23	58	.284	38
Toronto	22	59	.272	39
Cleveland	18	63	.222	43

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	Pct	GB
z-San Antonio	61	20	.753	—
y-L.A. Lakers	56	25	.691	5
x-Dallas	56	25	.691	5
y-Oklahoma City	55	26	.679	6
x-Denver	50	31	.617	11
x-Portland	48	33	.593	13
x-New Orleans	46	35	.568	15
x-Memphis	46	35	.568	15
Houston	42	39	.519	19
Phoenix	39	42	.481	22
Utah	38	43	.469	23
Golden State	35	46	.432	26
L.A. Clippers	31	50	.383	30
Sacramento	24	57	.296	37
Minnesota	17	64	.210	44

x-clinched playoff spot; y-clinched division; z-clinched conference
Last night's results
Denver at Utah
New Jersey at Chicago
New Orleans at Dallas
Houston at Minnesota
Milwaukee at Oklahoma City
New York at Boston
Atlanta at Charlotte
Washington at Cleveland
Indiana at Orlando
Detroit at Philadelphia
Miami at Toronto
Portland at Golden State
Memphis at L.A. Clippers
San Antonio at Phoenix
L.A. Lakers at Sacramento
END OF REGULAR SEASON
Wednesday's results
Chicago 103 New York 90
Portland 102 Memphis 89
L.A. Lakers 102 San Antonio 93

SOCCER

CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

QUARTER-FINALS

Second Leg
Yesterday's results
Schalke (Germany) 2 Inter Milan (Italy) 1 (Schalke advances on 7-3 aggregate)
Tottenham (England) 0 Real Madrid (Spain) 1 (Real Madrid advances 5-0)

SEMI-FINALS

First Leg
Tuesday, April 26
All times Eastern
Schalke vs. Manchester United, 2:45 p.m.
Wednesday, April 27
Real Madrid vs. Barcelona, 2:45 p.m.

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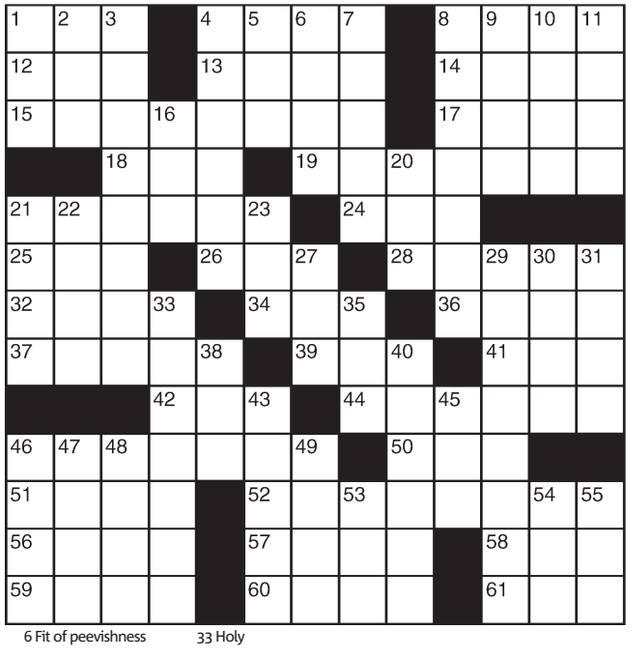

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12 Actress Gardner
13 Top-rated
14 Seed coat
15 Perform upkeep on
17 Capri, e.g.
18 "Kidding!"
19 Adulterated
21 Laundromat fixture
24 Science workshop
25 Slangy suffix
26 Scepter
28 Photo shoot VIP
32 Beams of light
34 Stir-fry pan
36 Test the waters
37 Small plateaus
39 Bro or sis
41 "There's no — team"
42 Charged bit
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51 Oodles
52 "The Mona Lisa," e.g.
56 Caterwaul
57 Teen's woe
58 — de Cologne
59 Convince
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1 Predicament
2 Eggs
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10 Heap
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16 Japanese theater
20 Cartesian conclusion
21 Apple invader
22 Wings
23 Squabble
27 Two, in Tijuana
29 More frilly
30 Falco of "Nurse Jackie"
31 Impart for a while
33 Holy
35 Tease
38 Drunkard
40 Easter accessory
43 Kathmandu's land
45 Drench
46 Wray and Weldon
47 "That was — blow!"
48 Corn Belt state
49 "The Amazing —"
53 B&B
54 Siesta
55 Wrigley product

▶ Yesterday's answer

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Sudoku

		3			1	4		
	5		6	4			3	
7		4	5			2		8
4				6		8	7	
	2		3		7		9	
	7	8		1				2
2		7			9	6		3
	8			3	6		2	
		6	1			9		

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ▶

6	5	4	9	1	2	7	3	8
7	8	2	6	4	3	1	5	9
3	1	9	5	7	8	6	4	2
8	3	6	7	2	5	4	9	1
2	9	5	1	8	4	3	6	7
1	4	7	3	9	6	8	2	5
4	6	1	8	5	9	2	7	3
9	7	3	2	6	1	5	8	4
5	2	8	4	3	7	9	1	6

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ROMZ <3

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YOUR CHOCOLATE LOCO [BAR]

Kitten <3,
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Today's horoscope

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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 You have a knack for reading people's body language. Use it.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 You may want to withdraw into your shell. It would be a waste.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 No matter how busy you are at work, you must free up time to spend with your friends.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 A throwaway remark might not be meant seriously but certain people will take it seriously, so be careful what you say.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 Make it your business to find out why certain people are behaving erratically. You'll be surprised.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 You'll start to see solutions where before you saw problems.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Do you get involved in a dispute that is none of your business? You better decide quickly.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 If you can get others to do a large slice of your work for you today then do so.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 If you need help today, ask for it. Don't wait for others to notice you're having a hard time.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Others will sense your confidence and offer to do things for you. Why deny them?

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 You'll find it easy to express yourself. Others will get you.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20. You'll hear something that pleases you. Don't be suspicious of it. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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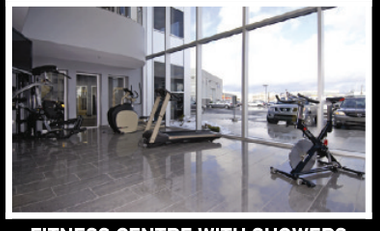

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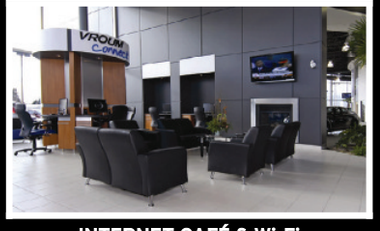

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